

The **Tygart's Valley Conservation District** Board of Supervisors held a Regular Board Meeting on December 14, 2020, commencing at 9:00 am at Bethany Baptist Church Buckhannon. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Donnie Tenney.

Supervisors Present: James Dean, Jim Nester, Doug Bush, Joe Shaffer,

WVCA: Candice Stone, Jeremy Salyer (via Phone)

TVCD Present: Terrie Hedrick, Dan Elliott

Visitors: Lora Lee Tenney, Nancy Nester, Flisha Dean, Jonathan Dean, Naomi Dean, Kevin

Mr. Shaffer led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading/Approval of the Agenda/Minutes:

November 9, 2020 Minutes; **Mr. Shaffer moved to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.**

December 14, 2020 Agenda: **Mr. Shaffer moved to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.**

Treasurer Report Ms. Hedrick report that Mon District has paid their bill. Little Kanawha has been billed \$10,000.00 for mowing and we are awaiting that payment. Mr. Elliott offered to go and pick up the check when it is ready. Northern Pan. will be completed on Wednesday and will be billed for \$63,000.00 for work done on the dam. We are hopeful this will be invoiced and paid by next week. The insurance company is paying for the work to be done on the dam. We are estimating the cost to be around \$50,000.00. **Mr. Shaffer moved to accept the Treasurer Reports as presented and file for audit; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.**

District Conservation Technician & Work Crew Report: Mr. Elliott reported the log clean out in Wheeling is completed and the seeding and mulching will be done on Wednesday and can be billed. The insurance company is covering the cost of fixing the dam. The state has requested that a plan be submitted and estimated dates as to when the work will be completed. We are using an 8-inch pump and 6-inch pump. Pumps will cost \$4,000.00 each to rent. We will also need to rent a restroom and lights. We have a job at Parsons building 2 fishing piers totaling \$46,000.00 and a hiking and biking trail totaling \$185,000.00 to be completed in 2021. Harrison County Rail Trails has 8 miles of trail work including 30 culverts that needs to be completed. They are giving us \$20,000.00 for mobilization cost and will be paying all material cost. The total job is for \$300,000.00 (1/2 being paid by County Commission and the other 1/2 being paid by Harrison County Rail Trails). They will be paying us every other week until the job is completed in March 2021. We have had several workers compensation claims this year which in return is going to raise our rate for next year. It was mentioned about FOIA for other districts who have had someone other than us to do the work to see what the total amount paid for work is.

Report of Officers and Agencies:

WVCA: Mr. Salyer provided written report attached. Ms. Stone reminded them to talk to their new and past legislators.

WesMonTy RC&D: Meeting Tuesday December 15, 2020 at West Fork District Office

Old Business: None

Committee Reports:

Building/Budget/Finance Committee:

- Thursday December 17, 2020 9am at the District Office and via skype
- Past due accounts are being charged interest and letters need to be sent letting them know if payments are not made it will be going to the Magistrate Court.

Equipment/Safety Committee:

- Safety meeting was on frost bit and cold weather.

Education Committee:

- Century Farm Applications are due to the office by February 1.
- Extension Office is offering online classes for High Tunnels

Grassland/AgEP Committee:

- A new allocation formula was discussed at the Statewide meeting.
- The new Conservation Specialist is supposed to start mid-January 2021
 - AgEP Payments
 - Tom Poling – Lime \$1,114.20
 - Jonathan Carpenter – Lime \$1,404.00
 - Bob Suan – Heavy Use Area \$1,000.00

Mr. Dean moved to approve the AgEP Payments as presented; seconded by Mr. Nester; motion carried.

New Business:

Pump Rentals Wheeling Creek: Insurance Company is going to pay for the fixing of the dam. It is estimated about \$50,000.00 for repairs. Rental costs are due 28 days from date of delivery.

There being no further business to attend to, Chairman Tenney declared the meeting adjourned.

Minutes recorded and prepared by Candice Stone – WVCA District Manager/ASA 3