Southern Conservation District
Regular Board Meeting
January 13, 2022
10:00 AM

Members of the Board present: *Staff present:*
Randall Patton   Dave Parkulo, SCD
Curtis Murphy   Kenneth Maiolo, WVCA
Bill Harris   Marty Walker-Owen, WVCA
Dennis Bailey
Randy Prince   *Visitors/Agencies present via teleconference:*
Fred Halsey   Jeremy Salyer, WVCA
Alvin Marchant   Judith Lyons, WVCA
Board member present via teleconference: Levi Cyphers, WVCA
John Farrell   Jeffrey Barr, NRCS
                                                                  Donny Dodd, NRCS
                                                                  Heather Duncan, WVACD

The Southern Conservation District met at 10:00 AM for their regular monthly board meeting
in the conference room at their location, 463 Ragland Road Beckley, WV.

Jeffrey Barr, NRCS

Jeffrey Barr updated the board that he did not submit a written report for this past month and
orally reviewed current happenings within NRCS at the Southern District. He commented on the
hiring process and unsuccessful fulfillment of the position for a conservation technician at this
time.

Julie Stutler, NRCS
An update was provided about the upcoming potential NACD funding opportunity for grants
potentially available to the district. Dennis Bailey expressed interest in the TA2022 NACD grant
funding opportunity and directed Marty Walker to follow up with information from NRCS and
work with Karen Brown on submitting the grant application to proceed.

Judith Lyons, WVCA

A discussion was held between the members of the board and Judith Lyons in regard to the
expiration of the contract with Meadows Contracting. A letter is to be written by Marty Walker
and signed by the District indicating the new terms of completion going forward notifying of
passing the end date of the contract. Judith Lyons will assist Marty with the details of the letter,
and they will send promptly.

An update was provided by Levi Cyphers on the sediment at Sites 4 & 5 at Brush Creek.
The landowner request for additional sediment removal was discussed and will be further
reviewed later and followed up on if a decision is made to assist.

Dennis Bailey commented on the situation at Site 12.

Curtis Murphy noted that he spoke with Mr. Looney as a follow up to the construction of the access road on the dam at Site 12. He obtained information from the owner that the plan was to develop the woodland above the site which is why the road to the spillway was built.
He reported that DEP wrote a letter to the owner indicating that he could proceed with construction of the road. A copy of the letter will be pursued to obtain.

Bill Harris stated the terms of the easement needs to be enforced.

At at length discussion was held between all parties associated with Site 12 logging road at the dam.

Donny Dodd, NRCS
Donny Dodd reported on the Watershed Associations in the district and upcoming sponsorship towards construction costs. More information will be following in the conference call today at 1:00 PM

Dennis Bailey commented his appreciation to Heather Duncan for her hard work and updates to the district.

Southern Conservation District Operations & Business

Bill Harris reported that the quarterly meeting is scheduled for January 18, 19 and 20th of next week weather pending in person. Links have been sent to Marty Walker from the association that be dispersed for those who wish to attend via teleconference.

Randy Patton moved to approve the December Board Meeting Minutes, Randy Prince seconded, motion carried.

Randall Patton moved to approve the district financial reports, Curtis Murphy seconded, motion carried.

Randall Patton moved to approve the accounts receivable aging summary, Curtis Murphy seconded, motion carried.

Dave Parkulo, Conservation Technician Supervisor Report

Dave Parkulo updated the board on the SCD janitorial services notice that has distributed in the building. He reported that he has completed all the AgEP cost share work at this time except for one fence project that is on the request for service list to be completed weather pending.
The crew is currently completing routine maintenance on the equipment.
He noted that channel cutting permits are awaiting to be received, weather permitting he could begin cutting in winter months.

Dave Parkulo reported that he has received a call from a delegate in Mercer County pertaining to a blockage in Mercer County. He will be following up on this site with the assistance of County Commission.

Randall Patton reported on the profit-loss statements he has requested from Akers Associates and the planning for the truck and trailer equipment purchase through financing at MCNB.

Randall Patton moved to approve the purchase of SCD crew truck and trailer up to $55,000, Fred Halsey seconded, motion carried.

Dave Parkulo commented that it was the recommendation of the equipment committee to raise the rental prices.

Randall Patton moved to approve the increase from $90.00 per day to $100.00 per day, Curtis Murphy seconded, motion carried.

(LOAN) Curtis Murphy moved to approve, Randall Patton seconded, motion carried.

<u>Marty Walker-Owen, WVCA Administrative Report</u>

Marty Walker gave an oral review of Jeremy Salyer's written report as he was not able to attend the meeting due to a conflicting schedule of another board meeting.
Marty reviewed the upcoming Administrative Review she will be conducting at the district office of the Ag Enhancement Program.

Randall Patton moved to approve the WVCA financial reports as presented by Marty Walker, Bill Harris seconded, motion carried.

Bill Harris moved to approved OMR invoices as presented, Curtis seconded, motion carried.

Kenny Maiolo, Conservation Specialist

Kenny Maiolo provided an overview of his written report. A discussion was held between he and the board and Marty Walker about the completion of the July application period and the start of the January Nutrient Management and Frost Seeding.

Meetings:

Safety Committee/Finance/Equipment Meeting January 24th 10:00 AM

Randall Patton moved to adjourn, Curtis Murphy seconded, motion carried.
12:58 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Marty R. Walker -Owen Administrative Specialist

Dennis Bailey, SCD Chairman

Curtis Murphy, SCD Secretary