

The **Tygart's Valley Conservation District** Board of Supervisors held a Regular Board Meeting on September 12, 2022, commencing at 9:00 am at Philippi District Office and via TEAMS. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Donnie Tenney.

**Supervisors Present:** Doug Bush, Teresa Gerrard, Donald Adams, Jim Nester, Joe Shaffer, Delbert Vandevander(teams)

**WVCA:** Candice Stone, Micah Cunningham, Jeremy Salyer (TEAMS), Jim Roy, Don Whetzel(teams)

**WVACD:** Heather Duncan

**TVCD:** Toni Johnson, David Cook

**NRCS:** Robbie Shomo, Jessica Ball, Jared Nestor, Mallori Watcher, Greg Tucker

**WVDOF:** Erin Shaw, Rudy Williams

**FSA:** Mary Jouver

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

**Reading/Approval of the Agenda/Minutes:**

*August 15, 2022, Meeting Minutes;* **Shaffer moved to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Nester; motion carried.**

*September 12, 2022, Agenda:* **Shaffer moved to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Nester; motion carried.**

**Treasurer Report** **Gerrard moved to accept the Treasurer Reports as presented and file for audit; seconded by Nester; motion carried.**

**Office Manager Report:** Johnson stated the lights in NRCS need to be completed. The roof was leaking due to the air conditioning drain being clogged.

**District Conservation Technician & Work Crew Report:** Cook said the crew has completed working at Workmans, Elkwater and Kalogs. They have several jobs coming up in Barbour, Upshur and Taylor Counties. The post driver estimate has come in at \$13,000.00 still waiting on other estimates to come in. The bucket for the excavator 12 inch is \$1,900.00 and 42 inch is \$3,800.00. This will help with putting in troughs and on other jobs.

**Report of Officers and Agencies:**

**WVCA:** Salyer report attached. He reminded us to start working on FY22 audit if not already started. Also, O&M agreements that are multi year must be signed yearly. Cunningham stated she has been working on sending out agreements and attending trainings. Roy stated the boom at Elkwater hasn't been replaced for 10 years and will need to be replaced and Shooks work needs to be completed.

**NRCS:** Nestor reported they are working on developing contracts for the upcoming year are totaling close to 1 million dollars. They had a successful week at the fair with outreach. Watcher last day in Philippi office will be next Friday she will be then be in the Kingwood office. The staff is not allowed to answer questions regarding the renovations for the building. Also, if you have any issues with Nestor's staff please address the issues with him and not his staff. Ball reported they will have a table at the Forest Festival in the park this year.

**WVACD:** Duncan reminded everyone that the quarterly meeting is coming up October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> in Flatwoods you need to make sure you have your registration turned in for the lunch and learns. Also, live and silent auction items go to Mark Fitzsimmons. The Envirothon registration is a separate registration form for the quarterly meeting. WV is hosting the 2028 NACD meeting.

**FSA:** Jouver reported she is the only one in the Whitehall office, there will be a loan manager in the office now on Wednesdays. County Committee elections are in November.

**WesMonTy RC&D:** Tenney reported they are taking orders for the Chestnut Trees must order 50 as a group and they are \$45.00/each. Blue bird houses are \$15.00/each

**DOF:** Williams stated they assisted the DNR with an illegal ginseng harvest. There was a BioChar demo at the WVU Forest. Shaw has been assisting landowners and doing fire training.

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**Old Business:** None

Wheeling Dam Update- Schedule a special meeting to discuss

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**Committee Reports:**

**Building/Finance/Budget:** Extension would like to rent the extra office at the current rate. Estimates for the roof were 5 star \$65,000.00 -\$73,500.00 and Design \$102,816.00.

**Education Report:** Gerrard moved to approve a donation of \$500.00 and \$500.00 in items to the Envirothon Scholarship Auction; seconded by Nester; motion carried. Nester moved to purchase a bluebird house for each of the 25 elementary school in the district; seconded by Adams; motion carried.

**Personnel Committee:** Executive session

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**New Business:**

**Bank Accounts:** Shaffer moved to take Terrie Hedrick off of Freedom Bank and BC Bank Accounts for informational purposes only and add Toni Johnson; seconded by Gerrard; motion carried.

**LOR's Supplemental Support:** Nester moved to approve LOR FY23 Supplemental Allotment #13887 \$11,000.00; seconded by Adams; motion carried.

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

Minutes recorded and prepared by Candice Stone – WVCA Administrative Specialist