

Monongahela Conservation District  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
May 7, 2020

**I. Call to order**

**Chairman Jim McDonald** called to order the regular meeting of the **Monongahela Conservation District** at **9:40 a.m.** on, **May 7, 2020**, at the Steve Lebnick Agricultural Center in Morgantown, WV via teleconference.

**II. Roll call**

**Chairman Jim McDonald** introduced those present and passed around a sign-in sheet. The following persons were present: Supervisors: Rick Abel, Jean Conley, Art Mouser, Mark Myers, and Ed Utterback. Others present were: Amy Cosco (DM), Jeremy Salyer (WVCA), Candice Stone (WVCA), Sigrid Teets (WVCA), H.R. Scott (WVU Extension), Dustin Adkins (NRCS), Gene Saurborn (WVCA).  
**Excused:**

**III. Approval of April Meeting Minutes**

*Abel moved to approve the April 2, 2020 board meeting minutes. Seconded by Utterback. Motion carried.*

Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes

*Abel moved to approve. Seconded by Utterback. Motion carried.*

**IV. Approval of financial statements**

a) Credit Card Receipts and Statements- *tabled for June Meeting*

b) General/CDO financial statements- *tabled for June Meeting*

Co-Administered Funds Financial Statements- *tabled for June Meeting*

**V. Visitors Comments - none**

**Cooperating Agencies**

**WV Division of Forestry-** No report.

**Watershed Division- Mowing and Maintenance-TVCD Invoices**

Martin reported the information has been sent to TVCD and will be presented at the June Meeting.

**Upper Buffalo Watershed-**

CTL is drilling on Site 4 for the seep investigation. Cyphers reported back they are doing a good job.

**Upper Deckers Watershed- Upper Deckers 1 Rehab Contract and Project- Upper Deckers Creek Site 1**

Saurborn reported the gate was closed yesterday. His techs are watching the piezometer readings. Bright reported there is a mod in the works to remove the camera inspection in the contract. It evolved to the PSD wanting the contract modified so Triton had to install a pump in the lake, so the water flow had to be at a certain amount. Discussions have been held and now there may not be any modifications due to the PSD wanting more and more.

**EWP and SSRP-** no report.

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**Conservation Technician-** Teets reported the allocation for FY21 will be 59,000.00 and the State AgEP Committee decided to use the same formula as previous years. Conley suggested having a committee meeting. May 20, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Abel moved to approve the FY21 AgEP Agreement. Seconded by Conley. Motion carried.

Mouser moved to pay Kellee Brown. Seconded by Conley. Motion carried.

**WVU Extension**

-**Bill Shockey-** report provided.

-**H.R. Scott-** no report.

**NRCS-** Adkins reported they are trying to get ranking finished up. Discussion was held on holding

**FSA-** no report.

**Solid Waste Authority**

**Monongalia County SWA-** no report.

**Marion County SWA-** McDonald reported they closed the center down for a month.

**Preston County SWA-** no report.

**District Manager Update-** Abel moved to change the July meeting to the 9<sup>th</sup>. Seconded by Utterback. Motion carried.

**WVCA Area Director-** report provided.

**VI. Invoices**

Bookwise Business Service April 2020 - \$300.00

*Abel moved to approve the invoice for Bookwise Business Service's accounting services in the amount of \$300.00. Seconded by Mouser. Motion carried.*

**VII. Approval of Supervisor Travel and Per Diem Claims**

Art Mouser-\$ Jean Conley- \$ Richard Abel- \$

Ed Utterback-\$ Jim McDonald- \$ Mark Myers- \$

**VIII. New Business**

*Conley moved to send the LORs. Seconded by Myers. Motion carried.*

*Ed Preston, Rick Abel, Jean Conley from Marion.*

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**XVI. Committee Reports:**

Finance- no report.

Education- no report.

Legislation/Policy- no report.

Grasslands- no report.

Safety/Buildings and Grounds- Abel reported a mailbox has been installed by the doors on the conference room end of the building and a drop box has been installed outside of the doors on the opposite end of the building.

Ag Enhancement- previously discussed. Committee meeting May 20, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

**Correspondence-** None.

**XVII. Public Comment-** None.

**XVIII. Supervisor Reports**

- **Mark Myers** – no report.

- **Ed Utterback** – no report.

- **Art Mouser** – had some medical tests done. They bought a new herd bull from Kansas and had a good year for calves. He's spent a lot of time on the UDC1 Project.

- **Jim McDonald** – has a lot of trees on his fence line due to wind.

- **Jean Conley** – no report.

- **Richard Abel** – has mowed twice.

- **Adjournment**

**Mouser moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 p.m.**

**The next scheduled meeting is June 4, 2020 at the Steve Lebnick Agricultural Center in Morgantown, WV.**

Minutes submitted by: Amy Cosco, ASA3/District Manager

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Jim McDonald, Chairman**

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Date