

Monongahela Conservation District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2021

I. Call to order

Chairman Rick Abel called to order the regular meeting of the **Monongahela Conservation District** at **9:30 a.m.** on, **March 4, 2021**, at the Steve Lebnick Agricultural Center in Morgantown, WV via teleconference.

II. Roll call+

Chairman Rick Abel introduced those present and passed around a sign-in sheet. The following persons were present: Supervisors: Rick Abel, Ed Utterback, Jim McDonald, Art Mouser, Andy Price and Chuck Cienawski. Others present were Jeremy Salyer (WVCA), Candice Stone (WVCA), Sigrid Teets (WVCA), Gene Saurborn (WVCA), Ed Martin (WVCA), Bill Shockey (Extension), HR Scott (Extension). Visitors Present were Melody Dale (Insurance), Dan Elliott (TVCD), James Dean (TVCD) and Donnie Tenney (TVCD).

III. Approval of February Meeting Minutes

Mouser moved to approve the February 4, 2021 minutes. Seconded by McDonald. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of financial statements

- a) *Credit Card Receipts and Statements- has not arrived in time for meeting, will be on April agenda.*
- b) *General/CDO financial statements- McDonald moved to approve the CDO Financial Statements for February and March 2021. Seconded by Utterback. Motion carried.*
- c) *Co-Administered Funds Financial Statements- McDonald moved to approve Co-Administered Funds financial statements for February and March 2021. Seconded by Mouser. Motion carried.*

V. Visitors Comments –

Cooperating Agencies

WV Division of Forestry- None

Watershed Division- Flooding

Saurborn spoke of the recent flooding in Preston County and the Governors Preparedness Order. He explained how the dam at Sypolt's was running through the AWS and also that the risers could be blocked with debris. Site 1 and 5 look pretty good but site 2 will need some work. *Utterback moved to allow Mouser to make decisions on contractual agreements for site 2 based on what the Engineering Firm and Watershed need done. Seconded by Cienawski. Motion carried.*

Discussed a dam monitor training in Mannington.

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Conservation Technician- Teets provided her report. She asked for dates to schedule an AgEP Meeting for March 30.

AgEP Approvals

Gerald Clarkson Lime 100 tons \$3,000.00

Jordan Lantz Lime 72 tons \$2,160.00

Gary Nedrow Hay Reseeding 14.5 acres \$725.00

Cienswski moved to approve the above listed AgEP application. Seconded by McDonald. Motion carried.

AgEP Payments

Richard McRobie Lime 47.01 tons \$540.61

Jerry Yost Lime 30 tons \$281.25

McDonald moved to pay AgEP Payments as presented. Seconded by Mouser. Motion carried.

WVU Extension

Bill Shockey- Provided a report.

H.R. Scott- there will be no traditional camps this year. Bull sale is still going forward.

NRCS- Adkins provided a report.

FSA- Jouver reported due to cold weather and ice that you have 30 days to send in loss of animals. The honey bee loss is 15 days.

Solid Waste Authority-

Monongalia County SWA- No report.

Marion County SWA- McDonald no meeting in February due to weather.

Preston County SWA- Utterback reported Sunrise is coming to pick up their recycling.

WVCA Area Director- Report provided. The questions and answers are as follows:

How do you want to receive board meeting information prior to the board meeting? Mailed and Emailed

Does the board wish to receive all correspondence forwarded to them and if so, what types of correspondence? Give at the board meeting

District Board Meeting Draft Agenda – Send 5 days prior to meeting

District Board Meeting Draft Minutes- Send with agenda

District Board Meeting Approved Minutes must be posted within 24 hours of meeting.

VI. Invoices

Bookwise Business Service February 2021 - \$300.00

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

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VII. Approval of Supervisor Travel and Per Diem Claims

Art Mouser-\$ Chuck Cienawski- \$ Richard Abel- \$
Ed Utterback-\$ Jim McDonald- \$ Mark Myers- \$ Jean Conley-\$

Cienawski moved to approve Supervisor payments as submitted and authorized when they arrive from the bookkeeper. Secoded by Utterback. Motion carried.

VIII. New Business

TVCD -

Tenney and Elliott thanks for board for allowing them to work with them in the past. They requested if there is any upcoming work to please keep them in mind.

Equipment Rental Rates

Meeting set for March 30

Insurace- Dale

Dale went over the insurance policy explaining the in and outs of how it works.

XVI. Committee Reports:

Finance- McDonald- no report.

Education- Myers – the Envirothon is going virtual.

Legislation/Policy- Myers – previously discussed.

Grasslands- Ed Utterback- hasn't heard of any meetings.

Safety/Buildings and Grounds-Ed Utterback- previously discussed.

Ag Enhancement- previously discussed.

Correspondence- None.

XVII. Public Comment- None.

XVIII. Supervisor Reports

- **Mark Myers** – no report.

- **Ed Utterback** – no report.

- **Art Mouser** – no report.

- **Jim McDonald** – no report.

- **Chuck Cienawski** – no report.

- **Richard Abel** – no report.

- **Jean Conley** – no report.

- **Andy Price**- no report.

- **Adjournment**

Mouser moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

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