

APPROVED

MINUTES

CARROLL SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SUPERVISOR'S MEETING  
February 21, 2019

Chairman Myron Frock called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. at the Carroll Soil Conservation District Office in Westminster, Maryland. The following were present:

Board Chairman Myron Frock  
Board Treasurer Donald Maring  
Board Supervisor Chris Weaver  
Board Supervisor Stacy Sellers

Associate Supervisor Janet O'Meara  
Acting District Manager Matt McMahon  
District Conservationist Eric Hines  
Univ of MD Extension Liason Peter Coffee

**MINUTES**

Board Supervisor Chris Weaver made a motion to approve the January meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Board Treasurer Donald Maring and was passed.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Board Treasurer Donald Maring gave the Treasurer's Report, breakdown of District's Equipment Account and the following list of bills to be approved for payment:

Bay Trust planner payroll 1/10/19-1/23/19	\$1,091.87
Bay Trust planner payroll 1/24/19-2/6/19	\$1,091.87
United States Treasury - Bay Trust grant - 4th qtr 2018	\$2,402.94
United States Treasury - Unemployment tax - 4th qtr 2018	\$42.00
Commissioners of Carroll County - Postage	\$146.24
Maryland Farm Bureau - membership	\$72.00
W.B. Mason - office supplies	\$42.62
Maryland Ag Council - Taste of MD – MF,GD,DM and spouses	\$600.00
W.B. Mason - office supplies	\$159.06
Staples - office supplies	\$31.48
Village Printing - CSCD envelopes	\$180.50
PNC Bank - folders, Canopy for Envirothon, retirement luncheon	\$955.82
Selective Insurance - Dishonesty bond	\$150.00
TOTAL	\$6,966.40

Account Breakdown - Reported on balances in accounts.

Board Treasurer Donald Maring moved to approve payment of bills. The motion was seconded by Board Supervisor Chris Weaver and the motion was passed.

**BUDGET**

None.

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Myron Frock reported on the following: District's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary is this year, November 2019. How about doing a luncheon and a program at the Farm Museum in September? Invite people that deal with Soil Conservation, contractors, prior staff; Ag Council dinner – over 700 people attended; MASCD highlights: BMP verification is very important because Maryland can get credit for BMP's that are still being used even though they are out of their life span. Cover crop numbers were significantly down from last year. Myron got complaints

regarding the State planting trees on right of ways and brought that to the attention of the Delegates. The people planting the trees should adhere to some setback from other property owners' land. MASCD Summer Annual Meeting is August 5-7 at Turf Valley. Talked to Norm from MACS about increasing the caps; Ecotone – Wilt Rd project. Is there a cost analysis done on a stream? When an easement is needed on a property – it should go down to MALF before we proceed. There were also questions on sediment control. Have to make sure that the ground is stabilized; Complaints on State Highway mowers grinding things into the ground and creating steep erosion; The next Board meeting will be March 14, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the District office.

### **EDUCATION**

Board Supervisor Stacy Sellers reported on the following: Registration is open for mental health workshops talking about how to recognize warning symptoms of suicide and depression. We have 2 staff going to the one in Frederick and Matt will be going to the one in Bel Air; Agriculture Law Education meeting. This dealt mainly with issues occurring on leased property and gave information on how to write leases and protect yourself; University of MD Extension is requesting a sponsorship for underprivileged youth to attend their camp for 2 weeks in the summer. Board Supervisor Chris Weaver made a motion to sponsor 2 children for their camp and give Extension a check for \$500. The motion was seconded by Board Supervisor Stacy Sellers and the motion was passed; Matt and Bryan will be sitting down with Ted McNett on Monday to discuss ways of saving money on the Envirothon.

### **EQUIPMENT**

None.

### **PERSONNEL**

In the absence of Board Vice-Chairman Greg Dell, Acting District Manager Matt McMahon reported on the following: MACS sent paperwork allowing Matt to sign as Acting District Manager if the Board consented to it. Board Supervisor Chris Weaver made a motion allow Matt to sign as Acting District Manager for MACS paperwork. The motion was seconded by Board Supervisor Stacy Sellers and the motion was passed.

### **AGENCY REPORTS**

#### **UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - EXTENSION**

University of Maryland Liaison Peter Coffee reported on the following: New Extension Director; Lost Nutrient Management Advisor. Will be advertising shortly. Don't have a person there to get farmers Nutrient Management Plans done so don't send people over there; Doing weed updates.

#### **NRCS/USDA**

District Conservationist Eric Hines reported on the following: NRCS has a budget and the Farm Bill passed; Waiting on stuff to happen regarding updates, software, and new information because some people were furloughed and weren't able to get the information out; Don't know the amount of money that Maryland is getting for EQIP. EQIP deadline ended last Friday. We have 78 applications for about \$2.5 – \$3 Million in requests. Working on getting people eligible. We have \$100,000 for Local Workgroup. Probably late April – early May till we find out who gets chosen; Technician's workshop in Baltimore was well attended and got good feedback on it; NRCS will be hiring an Engineer; The Milk Protection Program pays your premium for the Market Facilitation Program.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Chairman Myron Frock reported on the following: CMG purchased an adjoining farm and got a plan from Bryan. County can't sign off on it because they don't do stone for stabilization. They have to get a plan from an engineering firm.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Acting District Manager Matt McMahon reported on the following: Trying to get salaries for MDA technicians and planners revisited due to the high turnaround. Tony Riggi put together a letter and would like every County Board to sign it and send to the Western Delegation; District Manager position has not yet been advertised; Is there interest in doing the MASCD a coloring contest?

**MACS APPLICATIONS**

Board Supervisor Chris Weaver moved to officially approve the (2) MACS applications. The motion was seconded by Board Treasurer Donald Maring and the motion was passed.

At 8:34 P.M., Board Supervisor Stacy Sellers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Supervisor Chris Weaver and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Gay A. Teada