

The Richland Soil & Water Conservation District held their **Regular November Board Meeting** on the 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. located at 1495 West Longview Ave. Mansfield, Ohio.

Jerry Schumacher called the meeting order at 7:15 p.m. with the following in attendance, Wayne Weirick, Roger Cook, John Hildreth, Bonnie Thomas, Diana Kelley, and Gary Mathes. Ken Burrer was absent. Note: Tim Brandt arrived at 7:20 p.m. and Charles Winger arrived at 7:30 p.m.

**Secretaries Report** - Weirick motioned to accept the September minutes as written. Cook seconded the motion. Schumacher aye; Cook aye; Weirick aye. Motion passed 3-0-2.

#### **Financials –**

Cook motioned to approve October's District Fund of 3 transactions totaling \$217.83 (check # 4047-4049), and the Special Fund of 25 transactions totaling \$12,112.47. November's District Fund of 14 transactions totaling \$9,125.23 (check # 4050-4063), and the Special Fund of 26 transactions totaling \$12,034.53 and to accept CPA's September and October reports as presented. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Schumacher aye; Cook aye. Motion passed 3-0-2.

Charles Winger arrived at 7:25

#### **Old Business**

**Flood Update**-Hildreth reported county commissioners are interested in fixing the problem, not interested in the funding the research. There are possible cost share programs for w/s projects through the Conservancy District when assessments begin in 2007.

County Commissioners have asked Tim Brandt to host lunch meeting over the next 3 months to identify local flooding hot spots.

#### **New Business**

**OFSWCD Resolutions**- Board reviewed resolutions and assigned Wayne Weirick to represent the District at the Winter Meeting.

**Thanksgiving Holiday** – Winger motioned to give staff paid time off on November 25<sup>th</sup>. Cook seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Schumacher aye; Cook aye; Winger aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**06 Tree Order**- Cook motioned to approve payment for tree deposit from District Fund. Weirick second the motion. Weirick aye; Schumacher aye; Cook aye; Winger aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**Camera Purchase**– Weirick motioned to approve the purchase of two digital cameras from Cord Camera in the amount of \$1,174.94. Winger seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**Petty Cash**- Cook motioned to increase Districts Petty Cash Fund to \$100.00. Winger seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**Truax Nut Planter**- Cook motioned to purchase the Truax Nut Planter. Winger seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**Water Testing Program**- Hildreth presented proposal to board to see if this was the direction they wanted to go. Per discussion it was decided to focus on field streams and not the public. John will get pricing.

**Soil Probe Program**- Weirick motioned to purchase 25 soil probes and sell for \$20.00 each. Cook seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**Annual Meeting Entertainment**- Winger motioned to have the Bogart Sister's provide the entertainment at the 2006 Annual Meeting. Cook seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

**Agreements/ Contracts**- Cook motioned to accept Conservation Plans submitted by Mathes for Gene Esbenshade. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

## **Reports**

**Kelley**- Diana reported on the 2005 Forestry Contest, Adult Mennonite Water Quality Program, GREET Committee Workshop series, 2006 School Days and gave an update on the education trailer.

**Brandt**- Tim reported the Stormwater Regulations are nearly complete. The MOU will be updated after the regulations are complete. Reported Building Codes are moving to the Longview Building soon. Reviewed software package this afternoon, cost will be \$47,000. Software offers data share feature and on-line application. Will be holding a EPA workshop and County Commissioners want to re-visit HB 25.

Cook motioned to enter into executive session for Administrator's Review and Staff Evaluations. Hildreth was asked to stay, all others were dismissed. Winger seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

Regular board meeting reconvened at 10:50 p.m.

Cook motioned to remove Tony Studer from his probationary period effective November 11, 2005. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

Cook motioned to give Hildreth a 5% increase in wages, Brandt 3% increase, Christian 3% increase, Kelley 3% increase, Studer 3% increase, Thomas 5% increase, with

increases effective January 1, 2006. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

Winger motioned to purchase a Total Station in the amount of \$9,090.00. Cook seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

Cook motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 p.m. Winger seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winger aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0-1.

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Chairman

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Secretary

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Recorded Minutes