

The Richland Soil & Water Conservation District held their **Regular December Board Meeting** on the 13th, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. located at 1495 West Longview Ave. Mansfield, Ohio.

Jerry Schumacher called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. with the following in attendance, Wayne Weirick, Charles Winger, Bob Winbigler, Clark Hutson, John Hildreth, Bonnie Thomas and Gary Mathes. Roger Cook was absent.

Secretaries Report - Weirick motioned to accept the November minutes as presented. Winbigler seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

2007 Storm Water Fee's- Thomas stated on December 11th, Fiscal Agent Weirick gave a verbal approval for Thomas to transfer Stormwater fees collected from 12/6/06 – 10/31/07 in the amount of \$25,915.00 from the District's Star Ohio Storm water account to the District's Key Bank checking account. Thomas requested the 2007 Storm Water permit fee's collected from 12/06/06 - 12/04/07 totaling \$28,455.00 be transferred to the Richland County Commissioners. Winger motioned to transfer the 2007 Storm Water Fee's in the amount of \$28,455.00 to the County Commissioners. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Financials – Winbigler motioned to approve December's District Fund of 11 transactions totaling \$29,823.68 (check # 4230-4241), December's Special Fund of 26 transactions totaling \$12,643.23 and to accept CPA's November report as printed. Winger seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Old Business

District Scholarship- Winger motioned to accept the District Scholarship document as printed and to award two \$500 scholarships. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

New Business

2008 Operating Budget- Hildreth reviewed the 2008 budget and invited any Board Members available to attend the hearing when scheduled. Winbigler motioned to accept and approve budget as presented. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Mini Grant Approval- Winger motioned to accept and submit the \$500 Mini Grant as written. Winbigler seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Laser Level Instrument- Weirick motioned to purchase a new laser level at the cost of \$799.00. Winbigler seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Auto CAD Subscription Renewal- Weirick motioned to renew the Districts Auto CAD subscription for \$2,492.59 and to use the District Fund for the purchase. Winbigler seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

FEMA Update- Hildreth updated the Board that he has been working on getting a core group together and working on a planning session to decide how to best utilize the federal funding that Richland County will be receiving.

Policy 1.17 Travel Expense Increase- Weirick motioned to increase Board Supervisor's reimbursement for travel expense to National and North Central meetings to \$2,500.00. Winbigler seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

SWIMS- Area 2 Program Specialist Clark Hutson presented a PowerPoint presentation of the Soil & Water Information Management System and how it assist the District in tracking staff activities and the reports it will generate.

Agreements

NRCS Intermittent use of Transportation- Winbigler motioned to accept the agreement as written. Winger seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Reports

NACD-Information in Board Packet

2008 OFSWCD Winter Meeting- January 29th & 30th.

Financial Systems Processing- Thomas reviewed the liability standard information from Auditors office relating to elected officials/boards and proper public expenditures of county funds.

Gary- Finishing EQIP & currently there are 13 contracts totaling \$111,543.00. New seeding recommendations for grassed waterways have increased from 40 pounds per acre to over 200 pounds per acre. Matt could write letter of concern to bring awareness.

Clark- NACD President Olin Sims passed away last Friday from a ranch accident. Steve Robinson is interim President.

Winbigler motioned to enter into executive session for personnel discussion and requested John Hildreth and Clark Hutson in attendance. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Regular Board Meeting reconvened at 10:45 p.m.

Winger motioned to give full-time District employees a 3% cost of living increase beginning the first pay period of 2008. Weirick seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Weirick motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 p.m. Winbigler seconded the motion. Weirick aye; Winbigler aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

Chairman

Secretary

Recorded Minutes

