

The Richland Soil & Water Conservation District held their **Regular January Board Meeting** on the 10th, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. located at 1495 West Longview Ave. Mansfield, Ohio.

Jerry Schumacher called the meeting to order at 7:16 p.m. with the following in attendance, Bob Winbigler, Roger Cook, Clark Hutson, Deb Berger, John Hildreth, Bonnie Thomas, Gary Mathes, Matt Christian and Tim Brandt.

Secretaries Report - Winbigler motioned to accept the December minutes as presented. Schumacher seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Oath of Office- Wayne Weirick was sworn in on January 3rd, 2008 in the Soil & Water office, notarized by Steve Riser.

Financials – Cook motioned to approve January' District Fund of 7 transactions totaling \$3,876.48 (check # 4242-4248) and January's Special Fund of 17 transactions totaling \$11,494.48. Winbigler seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Field Office Review/Audit Report- Deb Berger, Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations – Area 2 and Clark Hutson, ODNR- Division of Soil & Water Conservation Program Specialist reviewed the report with Board Supervisors and staff. Deb encouraged Board and staff to read over the report and let Sandy Strebellow know if any changes need made.

District Board Reorganization- Cooked motioned to keep offices the same in 2008 with no changes. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Committee Structure- Bob Winbigler was appointed chairman of the 2008 nominating committee. Cook and Schumacher announced they will be running for another term.

Signature Card- Cook motioned not to make any changes to the Key Bank checking signature card. Schumacher, Weirick and Thomas are the authorized signatures. Winbigler seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business-

New Business

Legislative Breakfast & OFSWCD Resolutions- Hildreth stated he will be attending the breakfast but leaving afterwards to return back to the office for Gary's retirement open house. No Supervisors are available to attend the Resolution Session.

2008 Inventory/Retirement Review- Cook motioned to approve the 2008 Inventory Report as submitted and accept A-021147, A-021148, A-021149, A-021150, D-010661, D-010662, D-010663, D-010664 as inventory items with value over \$200.00, and to remove 8056, 8080, 8081, 8084, 2714, 2715, 2761, 2755, D-009317, D-009326, tree bars and tree stump display from inventory. Winbigler seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Policy 1.05 & 1.30 - Winbigler motioned to accept Public Records Management Policy 1.05 which will replace the current Public Records Request policy 1.05 and to accept policy 1.30 Cellular Telephones as submitted. Cook seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Employee Handbook & District Employment Policies- Cook motioned to adopt the Employment Handbook & District Employment Policies as submitted. Winbigler seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Cancellation of May, August & October Board Meetings- Cook motioned not to hold board meetings the months of May, August & October due to work loads of Board Members. Winbigler seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Agreements

Cook motioned to approve 19 EQIP contracts, (participants attached to minutes). Winbigler seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 3-0.

Reports

FEMA-Hildreth reported Richland County's approved FEMA funding is for home demolition only.

Winger arrived at 8:53 p.m.

Storm Water Software- Brandt reported 2yrs ago, the District, Auditor's Office & Codes & Permits entered into a contract with Hudson James for Storm water software. They failed to deliver the product & it went to the prosecutor's office to get back the money the County Commissioners paid. Hudson James has requested the opportunity to complete the project, make changes, provided deadline and forgive the \$27,000. Decision is up to the county commissioners.

Bierly- the District has been doing dye testing and is waiting to hear back from Tom Holmes and then will recommend Bierly get a back hoe and check tile.

Winger- attended the State Soil & Water Education Meeting today and reported District's stats. Also attended a Malabar Foundation Meeting and has filed a petition to run for county commissioner.

Gary- is now working with 3rd generation on the same farm; guess it's time to retire.

Winbigler motioned to enter into executive session for personnel discussion and requested John Hildreth, Clark Hutson and Deb Berger's attendance. Cook seconded the motion. Winbigler aye; Cook aye; Winger aye; Schumacher aye. Motion passed 4-0.

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

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

Chairman

Secretary

Recorded Minutes