

*Sullivan County Soil & Water Conservation District*

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Board of Directors Meeting

**August 13, 2018**

**Minutes**

**I.** **Call to Order:** Chairman Hughson called the regular business meeting of the Sullivan

 County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors to order at 8:00 p.m.

 Board members present – Wilfred Hughson, Chairman Robert Kaplan, Vice Chairman

 Gene Benson, Treasurer John Gorzynski, Member

 Nadia Rajsz, Legislator

Board members absent – Mark, McCarthy, Legislator Harold Russell, Member

 Agency representatives: – Brian Brustman, SWCD Melinda Meddaugh, CCE

**II. MINUTES:** R. Kaplan made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 11, 2018 board

 meeting, E. Benson seconded, the motion was passed and carried.

**III. WRITTEN & VERBAL REPORTS:** See attached written reports.

1. M. Meddaugh (CCE):
* An Ag & Food Systems report was submitted.
* Will be submitting a resolution to the County to support funding for a business plan and equipment for a niche dairy processing facility in Sullivan County.
* CCE will be opening a Taste New York store on October 1st.
1. B. Brustman (FSA):
* Crop reporting is underway

## **IV.** **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Neversink/Rondout Grant: See written report
* The S Turn project and the T/O Denning projects are underway. The projects have been slowed down with the amount of rainfall we have had.
* Last year’s projects are holding up with the amount of rain we have been getting.
* The next contract is still in the process of being written.

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1. Program Updates:
* Working on Performance Measure goals.
1. Flood Mitigation Grant:
* Will look into an emergency DEC permit for a couple project sites.
* There are several sites that require removing debris from waterway.
* Working on getting landowner permission to access land for projects.

# V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Bank Reconciliation: The July bank statements were reviewed.
2. Director Training: Board members present completed the Training Module #1-The Basics.
3. Will start gathering information to assist farmers with bunk silos in meeting the forthcoming DEC regulations on tire usage.

**VI. DISTRICT CLAIMS:** N. Rajsz made a motion to approve abstracts, bills and pre-approvals,

seconded by R. Kaplan, the motion was passed and carried.

 2018 – 6B $ 28,167.87

2018 – 7A $ 29,673.18

2018 – 7B $171,801.43

2018 – 8A $ 16,540.11

Bills presented to the Board for pre-approval: Total - $ 19,749.52 - See breakdown sheet

**VII. TREASURER REPORT:** The Profit and Loss and the Balance Sheet were reviewed. E.

Benson made a motion to approve the reports, N. Rajsz seconded, the motion was passed and

 carried.

**VIII. NEXT MEETING:**  Monday, September 10, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** Adjourned at 9:08 p.m. -Motion by N. Rajsz

 Lisa Schick, Wilfred Hughson,

Program Assistant Chairman