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Meeting Minutes - February 26, 2013

Present

Ralph Sickler Marybeth Sorrentino
Mike Bonham Henry DuBois

Torrey Reade

Vice Chairman Ralph Sicker opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Due notice by order of the "Sunshine Law" was given and noted.

DISTRICT BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the January meeting were approved as written. Motion made by Torrey and seconded by Henry. Passed.

Financial Report

Mike reviewed the financial report and noted that the District's net income from January 16, 2013 through February 15, 2013 was \$25,288.21. Chapter 251 revenue was \$35,010.16. Motion to approve the report made by Henry and seconded by Torrey. Passed.

251 Report

Mike reviewed the 251 report, and noted routine activity. Complete compliances were largely associated with single family home construction. Winter compliances are being issued for projects that will receive final stabilization in the Spring. Motion to approve the report made by Henry and seconded by Torrey. Passed.

NRCS - Cumberland & Salem Field Offices

Marybeth presented the NRCS reports for the Cumberland and Salem field offices. NRCS is currently working on existing EQIP contracts. The Farm Bill was extended to 09/30/2013, which authorized enrollment for WRP and GRP. The Farm Bill extension also authorized CRP & CREP. NRCS is operating under a continuing resolution until through March 28, 2013. The Conservation Stewardship program (CSP) may not be offered in 2013. NRCS/NJDA signed a one year agreement to hire a

specialist to write Conservation Plans for the Farmland Preservation Program. Several conservation plans and 8-year state cost share applications were presented for approval. Torrey motioned to approve and Henry seconded the approval of the NRCS action items. Passed.

District Staffing

Mike reviewed the job description for a part time employee to help with plan review and inspection. Torrey motioned to approve and Henry seconded the approval of the job description. Passed.

FY2012 Audit

Mike presented the FY2012 Audit. Henry motioned to approve and Torrey seconded the approval of the FY2012 Audit. Passed.

District Vehicle

Mike reviewed the options for purchasing a new District vehicle. The first option would be to purchase through the NJ state contact. The second option would be to prepare a bid package for vendors to provide pricing to the District specifications. The Board recommended the vehicle be purchased from a local dealer to allow for local repair and maintenance.

CD/Money Market Accounts

Mike presented the local CD/Money Market account rates. Century Savings bank is offering 1.0% interest for a Money Market Account with \$100,000 deposit. Mike will conduct additional research into the local rates for discussion at the March Meeting.

Upper Deerfield Exempt Municipality

Mike presented the exempt municipality annual review form for Upper Deerfield. The District handles all of the SESC work for Upper Deerfield. Motion to approve made by Torrey and seconded by Henry. Passed

Regional Supervisors Meeting

The Regional Supervisors Meeting for the South will be held on April 9^{th} 2013, at the Italian Affair in Glassboro.

Being no further open session business, the open portion of the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Motion made by Buddy and seconded by Ralph. Passed.

Chairman Ron Thomas opened the closed session at 8:10 p.m.

The closed session meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm. Motioned by Ralph, seconded by Torrey and passed unanimously.

A motion was made at 8:35 p.m. by Buddy to open the regular meeting, seconded by Henry and passed unanimously.

A motion was made at 8:40 p.m. by Ralph to close the regular meeting, seconded by Torrey and passed unanimously