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**Meeting Minutes - February 28, 2016**

Present

Mike Bonham  
Henry Dubois

Ralph Sickler  
Ron Thomas

John Showler  
Nick Saumweber

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

Meeting Minutes

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

Financial Report

Mike reviewed the financial report and noted that the District's net income from November 16, 2016 through February 15, 2017 was \$-3,372.13. Chapter 251 revenue was \$30,440.00. The District made the yearly PERS payment during this reporting period. Motion to approve the financial reports made by Henry and seconded by Ralph. Passed

251 Report

Mike reviewed the 251 report, and noted routine activity. Commercial construction submittals to the District have increased in comparison to the previous fiscal year. With the mild winter many projects are continuing site work through the winter. Motion to approve the report made by Ralph and seconded by Henry. Passed.

SSCC

John discussed the status of the soil restoration standard. John updated the Board on the HxH database and basin inspection application. The SSCC is currently working on a policy and standardized training for Districts seeking to partner with municipalities and private basin owners to conduct NJDEP required stormwater basin inspections.

NRCS - Cumberland & Salem Field Offices

Nick and Mike presented the NRCS reports for the Cumberland and Salem Field offices. The Regional Conservation Partnership Program and National Water Quality Incentive signup has been extended to 03/17/2017. Regular EQIP signup Round 2 has been extended until 04/21/2017. NRCS will be hosting a Grazing Training on 06/20/2017 & 06/21/2017. NRCS is currently working on existing EQIP contracts and ranking FY2017 Round applications. Several conservation agreements CREP applications were presented for approval. Motion to approve the NRCS action items made by Henry and seconded by. Passed.

#### Right to Farm

There was no new information to report of the Right to Farm issue regarding a nursery grower's runoff and downstream impacts.

#### Animal Waste Management

Mike updated the Board regarding the animal waste issue in Hopewell Township. A manure injector is now being used to inject the manure below the soil surface in accordance with the SADC best agricultural management practices. It appears as though this issue has been resolved.

#### Supervisor Nominating Committee

Mike informed the Board that Supervisor reappointment will be taking place in the next couple months and he will work to assemble a nominating committee.

#### District Attorney

Mike informed the board that Ross Levitsky retired and the District will need find a replacement for legal representation. Mike will talk with neighboring District Managers to determine who they are using for legal representation.

Being no further open session business, the open portion of the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Motion made by Ralph and seconded by Henry. Passed.