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Meeting Minutes - March 22, 2022

Present

Mike Bonham	Ralph Sickler	Tom Tedesco
Maury Sheets	Henry Dubois	Ron Thomas
Michelle Pedano	Mona Peterson	

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

Meeting Minutes

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

Financial Report

Mike reviewed the financial report and noted that the District's net income from January 16, 2022 through March 15, 2022 was \$42,426.13 Chapter 251 revenue was \$59,660.55 Motion to approve the financial reports made by Henry and seconded by Tom. Passed

251 Report

Mike reviewed the 251 report, and noted routine activity. Project submittals for commercial and residential development remain at a higher level in comparison to previous fiscal years. Site contractors need to be reminded frequently of the erosion control measures compliance on construction sites. Contractors are starting to complete final stabilization on projects which were issues temporary winter compliance. Motion to approve the report made by Maury and seconded by Henry. Passed.

NRCS - Cumberland & Salem Field Offices

Michelle and Mona presented their respective field office reports. The Vineland and Woodstown NRCS offices are at 75% staffing level. The EQIP-CIC program signup closes March 31st. FY2022 Conservation Stewardship signup also closes March 31st. RCPP proposals are being accepted through April 13th & FY2022 CIG signup closes May 23rd. Several conservation agreements and conservation plans were presented for approval. State cost share for underground drainage was also presented for approval. Motion to approve the NRCS action items made by Maury and seconded by Henry. Passed.

Annual Conference

The annual conference is scheduled for March 28th, 2022 at the Freehold SCD office. The conference will be held in person at the Freehold SCD office. A virtual option will also be provided.

Meeting Virtual/In-Person (Time Change)

Mike requested Board comments regarding the continuation of virtual meetings & in-person meetings. The next meeting will be held in person as long as COVID protocol requirements have not changed. It may be possible to offer a virtual option as well. Mike informed the Board that he will have a meeting conflict a few times a year with the normal District meeting time. After discussion it was determined that the District would change the meeting start time to 6:00 pm.

Being no further open session business, the open portion of the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Motion made by Henry and seconded by Tom. Passed.