



Eaton Conservation District

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING, February 25, 2020

Vice-Chairman Sprague called the February meeting of the Eaton Conservation District (ECD) to order at 9:04 am. in the basement conference room of 551 Courthouse Dr., Charlotte. Those present: Jim Droscha, Deb Montgomery, Jane Sprague, Holly Schaeffer (telephonic). Others present: Sue Spagnuolo, Tim Redder. Absent: Chairman Raymond was sick.

The board approved and seconded a motion to approve the January 2020 minutes as printed. The financial reports were not submitted due to the QuickBook's computer crash and in repair for a new hard drive.

Vice-Chairman Sprague recessed the meeting for public comment at 9:05 am. There was no public comment. The meeting was reopened at 9:06 am.

Business

Sprague gave a report on the Directors meeting she recently attended and discussed several options on how the board can take a more active roll in helping the district. Discussion held concerning directors roll and policy concerning directors' positions and what is required. Spagnuolo will compile a packet of director information.

Spagnuolo updated the board on Annual Meeting. She has received several positive comments. She is hand delivering the thank you gifts to the sponsors.

Spagnuolo gave a grant update. Sprague will look over the contract with CIESA concerning MWSP.

Spagnuolo let the board know the FY19 audit is complete and Jordan Smith will attend a meeting within the next couple months to give a report.

Spagnuolo handed out a schedule of the workshops and events coming up. We are heading into our busiest season of the year. Discussion held; the board can let Spagnuolo know when they are available to help.

Spagnuolo let the board know she has an appointment with State Rep.s Angela Witwer and Julie Brixie on 3/6/20 concerning appropriations for CD's. Discussion held. If a report is made, Spagnuolo will send a copy to Schaeffer before the meeting.

Spagnuolo let the board know the DNR Mason Rd. property lease is due to expire early April. Discussion held. A motion was made, seconded and moved to not renew the contract. Spagnuolo will send the letter of notice.

Staff reports: Spagnuolo gave hers. Reynolds had a written report available. Kerr is on maternity leave.

NRCS report: Redder updated the board on the Farm Bill Rollout training that he recently attended. The main point to consider is sign ups will be a challenge because of lots of changes, including a new software program for the field offices and only just over half of the fiscal year remaining.

Correspondence: There were seven (7) SPR's, CU's and DCA's from Eaton Co. Sprague gave reports on.

Also, Spagnuolo let the board know of Anne Pease's retirement open house on 2/26/20. Next meeting to be held March 31,2020.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.

Respectively submitted,

Sue Spagnuolo
Executive Director

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