A regular scheduled Board of Supervisors was held at the Sandusky County Soil & Water Conservation District office located at 2000 Countryside Drive in Fremont, Chairman Peter Miller presiding. The meeting began at 7:05 a.m.

Roll Call: Scott Chalfin P Greg Diedrich P Keith King P Peter Miller P Dave Warner P

Also present: Becky Duncan, Clark Hutson, Shelli Stockmeister and Sandy Yohe. Joining the meeting was Commissioners Kay Reiter and Charlie Schwowchow. Gary Overmyer from Riley Township was also in attendance for the meeting.

Warner moved to accept the minutes of August 10th as mailed. Diedrich seconded with no further discussion. Motion carried.


Discussion took place on the issue of the beaver dam which is on Green Creek. Reiter informed the board that on their September 7th meeting the Commissioners and Lisa Kuelling and Sandy Yohe were present to discuss the Beaver dam. Yohe explained that the district could possible do a Conservation Works of Improvement or they could assist in a group project. After a lengthy discussion the board decided to work with the property owners and see if they would be willing to participate in a group project and the district would provide technical assistance. Gary Overmyer will contact the four landowners and the district will get figures around and also work with Lisa Kuelling, EMA Director. The board and staff did mention going out to see it. Hutson did suggest getting the landowners together is the first thing everyone should do. We will talk with Moyer and get an estimate for landowners. Overmyer has permission to get back there and see.

Yohe’s report was in the board packets and she asked if there were any questions. Yohe had no board action.
Browne’s report was in the board packets and he asked if there were any questions. Browne had no board action.

Scheffler’s report was in the board packets.

Stockmeister reported on a complaint about the flies and odor at one of our landowners in the county. Stockmeister informed the board and staff that the neighbors that keep complaining about the flies and odor has called the EPA and other offices within the county asking if we are doing our jobs and they have also talked with Hutson and Jocelynn Henderson, the Nutrient Management Specialist and what options do we have. Stockmeister informed the board that Henderson said, “years ago they held meetings with Commissioners, Health Departments, Trustees, EPA, Sherriff and ODA on local ag pollution abatement”. Stockmeister suggested having a meeting on nuisance complaint with the new laws on manure and help to educate all involved so people know who to call. Diedrich move to support an informative meeting on farm and agriculture pollution abatement complaints with local officials and then possible a county wide meeting at a later date. King seconded the motion with no further discussion. Motion carried.

Duncan’s report was in the board packets and she would need the board to acknowledge several plans. Duncan did inform the board that she would need acknowledgement on two CREP filter strips and one CRP warm season grass contract re-enrolling, with enhancements, into pollinator SAFE. Warner moved to acknowledgement of the CREP and CRP plans. Diedrich seconded the motion with no further discussion. Motion carried.

Annual and Sick leave ending balances for the staff: Browne – vacation – 11.69; sick – 27.10 and Yohe – vacation – 462.10; sick – 847.55. This report is accurate as of September 14, 2017.

King moved to pay Special and District current bills of $5,815.16, additional bills: SC Commissioners – rent, $5,400.00, totaling $11,215.16. Warner seconded with no further discussion. Motion carried.

The next scheduled board meeting will be October 12, 2017, a.m., at the SWCD office.

Diedrich moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 a.m. King seconded with no further discussion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Yohe.

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Peter Miller, Chairman

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Greg Diedrich, Secretary-Treasurer