

Windham County Natural Resource Conservation District Minutes

April 14, 2022, 1:00PM

301 Barrows Road, Brattleboro, VT 05301

Present: Linda Corse, Geof Dolman, Pieter van Loon, Meg Klug: board supervisors; Cory Ross: District Manager; Heather Blunk, Agricultural Outreach Specialist; David Erickson, Member of the public.

Financial Report

District Managers Report

- Sweet pond is wrapped up
- High Meadows fund tasks
 - Entails workshops, webinars, brochures, fact sheets. All classes are for land owners.
- Tactical Basin plan, goes through council and that is the hold up currently.
- Heather gave updated on workshop ideas

Plant Sale

- Doing great for sales but trees for streams is left and what do we do with those if no trees for streams
- Discussion about what to do with leftover plants, do we give volunteers plants or sell them to them at cost? It was decided to sell them at cost to volunteers, but only after the sale has ended for the day.

Stipend for Producers

- Suggested to make it a guideline. Cory will write up the guidelines and advertise it on our website.
- *MOTION TO MAKE STIPEND FOR PRODUCERS A GUIDELINE, MOTION PASSED*

Per Diem for Supervisors

- It should be given out at the end of the year and you can accept it or donate it back at the end of the year.
- MOTION FROM LAST MONTH STANDS. Cory will write policy.

Districts are awarded 1 million from senate

District Pay and Benefits

- In order to do a cafeteria plan you need a group health plan. Retirement plan only. Caledonia contributes to a retirement fund and matches up to 2%.

Proposal Reviews for Brattleboro Farmers Market Rain Gardens Preliminary Design and Dummerston Covered Bridge Access Gully Erosion Final Design Projects

-Only received one proposal for each project.

-Proposal for Dummerston is from Fitzgerald and Environmental associates. It is in line for what was budgeted. Came under the initial quote.

-MEG MOVES TO ACCEPT PROPOSAL, GEOFF SECONDS . MOTION PASSED

-Proposal from DNK sounds good. 4,000 more than what we budgeted, but includes. They will be the ones to organize meetings and everything. Cory will ask them what options there are and ask them to resubmit a new proposal that is cheaper.

Minutes:

-Motion to approve March minutes. Motion passed.

-Amend minutes to reflect it to say 50\$ per supervisor per month per meeting attended.

Survey

-Cory asked board members to take survey from Molly Varner

Next Meeting:

- May 11, 2022 at Meg's at 6:30pm