

OCEAN COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
714 LACEY ROAD, FORKED RIVER, NJ 08731
September 22, 2022 – FY 23

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Dr. William Pollock at 8:00 a.m. Dr. Pollock confirmed that announcements for the meeting were made pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act and forwarded to the Asbury Park Press, The Press of Atlantic City and the Ocean County Clerk. Meeting to be held in person at the District office.
- Supervisors present:** Dr. William Pollock, Chairman, Dr. Michael Gross, Secretary, John Tiedemann, Gary Paxton & Ray Bukowski. **Others present:** Christine Raabe, District Director, & Jean Baluski, Assistant District Director from Ocean County Soil Conservation District (OCSCD). Also present was Frank Minch, Director, Division of Agricultural and Natural Resources.
- II. FLAG SALUTE** – Dr. Pollock led the salute to the flag of the United States of America.
INTRODUCTION AND WELCOME OF NEW BOARD MEMBER – John Tiedemann
- III. AGENDA** – Motion to approve the agenda for today’s meeting with amendments to correspondence and New Business items C, D & F (see Amended Agenda) made by Dr. Michael Gross, seconded by Ray Bukowski. Roll call vote: unanimous.
- IV. MINUTES** – The 7/21/22 minutes were approved on a motion by Ray Bukowski, seconded by Gary Paxton. Roll call vote: Everyone except John Tiedemann who abstained.
- V. REPORTS TO BOARD** – Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) – None. State Soil Conservation Committee (SSCC)- Frank Minch announced the 11/ 17/22 Partnership/NJACD Annual meeting will be held on the 11/ 17/22 in Freehold. Working on changing the 290 Rules to include Solar Array/Construction Standard along with other amendments. Also working on the Budget.
- VI. CORRESPONDENCE** –
- A. Thank you, Letter from Northeast Association of Conservation District, for the \$100 donation.
 - B. Barnegat Bay Partnership – District Roles on Various Committees. See document on website.
- VII. TREASURY REPORT** – The monthly report for July 2022 showed total holdings of \$3,893,968.97. August 2022 showed total holdings of \$3,964,310.42. A motion to approve made by Dr. Michael Gross, seconded by Ray Bukowski Roll call vote: unanimous.
- VIII. BILLS AND CLAIMS** – July 2022 Chapter 251 disbursements were \$111,455.15. General account disbursements were \$455.98. August 2022 Chapter 251 disbursements were \$111,474.39. General account disbursements were \$360.16.
FY23 June-August 2022 Chapter 251 disbursements were \$334,303.43. General account disbursements were \$961.14. A motion to accept made by Ray Bukowski, seconded by John Tiedemann. Roll call vote: unanimous.
- IX. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES** – Education update provided by Becky Laboy. See document on website.
- X. REPORTS OF SPECIAL (AD HOC) COMMITTEES** – Nominating Committee Reconvened – 8/3/22.
- XI. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None
- XII. CHAPTER 251** –
- A. Certified Plans, Re-Certifications, Amendments, Incomplete and Denied Plans. Motion to approve made by Dr. Michael Gross, seconded by Ray Bukowski. Roll call vote: unanimous.
 - B. Issued Stop Construction Order (SCO) for SCD#18711 on 7/28/22 – Rabinowitz- 74 Units; Block 804, Lot 2; South Bell Ave., Lakewood TWP.

- C. Issued SCO for SCD#19226 on 7/28/22 – Cheder Masores Hatorah – Site Plan; Block 1081, Lot 4; Lakewood TWP.
 - D. Issued SCO on 7/28/22 for Block 402, Lot 3.01; 601 Prospect Street, Lakewood TWP.
 - E. Issued SCO on 7/28/22 for Block 536, Lot 182, Ocean Ave., Lakewood TWP.
 - F. Issued SCO on 8/9/22 for SCD#22598 – Proposed Townhome Redevelopment-Multifamily; Block 314, Lot(s) 22, 25, & 26; 208 North Main Street; Lacey TWP.
 - G. Issued SCO on 8/9/22 for SCD#11281 – 961 Main Street LLC – Subdivision; Route 9; Block 4, Lots 260.01-260.16; Eagleswood TWP.
 - H. Issued SCO on 8/9/22 for SCD#19851 – Drake Development – Subdivision, Block 251.02, Lot 98; Drake Road; Lakewood TWP.
 - I. Issued SCO on 8/15/22 for SCD#23339 – Adventure Crossing – Phase 4; Block 3001, Lot 1; Jackson TWP.
 - J. Rescinded SCO on 8/15/22 SCD#19851 Drake Development – Subdivision, Block 251.02, Lot 98; Drake Road; Lakewood TWP.
- Motion to approve B thru J made by Dr. Michael Gross, seconded by John Tiedemann. Roll call vote: unanimous.

XIII. OLD BUSINESS –

- A. Purchasing New Vehicle – Waiting on state approved vendors to get 2023 hybrid vehicles in stock.
 - B. NRCS/RCPP Funds Awarded: COASTAL - (Conservation Opportunities Advancing Sustainable Technologies for Aquaculture Leases) \$961,227
 - C. NACD/TAG Year 3 – SPARC (Sustainable Practices for Aquaculture Resource Conservation) \$ 52,250.00
- Motion to accept B & C made by John Tiedemann, seconded by Gary Paxton. Roll call vote: unanimous.

XIV. NEW BUSINESS –

- A. Michele Wilson, Ocean First Bank – Signature cards for accounts
- B. Payroll Fraudulent Activity – 8/8/22. An email requesting an employee's Direct Deposit account to be changed. The email was masked as an employee's email account and change was completed. The net pay of the employee went to the fraudulent account. A police report was filed, and ADP payroll is helping with recovering the funds.
- C. Resolution: Recognizing Appointment of New Board of Supervisors Members Ocean County Soil District. Gary Paxton and Ray Bukowski appointed on 6/13/22. John Tiedemann appointed on 9/10/22.
- D. Resolution: Adopting the Civil Service Commission Compensation Compendium and implementing it the first pay of the January the following year. Motion to approve made by Ray Bukowski, seconded by Gary Paxton. Roll call vote: unanimous.
- E. Resolution: Election of Officers to the District Board of Supervisors Dr. William Pollock as Chairman, Dr. Michael Gross as Secretary, John Tiedemann as Vice Chairman, & Gary Paxton as Treasurer.
- F. Long Beach Township is the only remaining exempt municipality in Ocean County. The other boroughs/municipalities on the barrier island want to better understand the role, authority, and requirements of the District/Chapter 251/SESC Act. The District & SSCC has a meeting scheduled on 10/5/22.

XV. EXECUTIVE SESSION – None**XVI. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT DISTRICT MEETING – 11/ 17/22***

*Same date as Partnership Annual meeting in Freehold. Some discussion about alternate plans for District.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m. Move for adjournment made by Dr. Michael Gross, seconded by Ray Bukowski. Roll call vote: unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine R. Raabe,
District Director

CRR: jb



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District Staff serving on the Various Committees & Work Groups through the Barnegat Bay Partnership

The Barnegat Bay Partnership (<https://www.barnegatbaypartnership.org/>) (formerly the Barnegat Bay National Estuary Program) is a partnership of federal, state, municipal, academic, business, and private organizations that work together with the communities of the Barnegat Bay watershed to help restore, protect, and enhance the water quality and natural resources of the Barnegat Bay and its watershed.

*The BBP is one of 28 **National Estuary Programs** throughout the United States and is administered by the United States Environmental Protection Agency. The Barnegat Bay Partnership is a department of **Ocean County College**, a community college located in Toms River, New Jersey.*

1. *Advisory Committee* – Christine Raabe (Jessica Pinto & Becky Laboy Alternates)
2. *Science and Technical Advisory Committee* – Christine Raabe (Kristin Adams Alternate)
3. *Communication Education Committee* – Becky Laboy (Christine Raabe Alternate)
4. *Shellfish Work Group* – Kristin Adams- Co-Chair 2022 (Christine Raabe Alternate)
5. *Stormwater Work Group* – Brittany Moore (Christine Raabe Alternate)
6. *Estuarine Habitats Work Group* – Christine Raabe (Kristin Adams Alternate)
7. *Toms River Watershed Management Plan Work Group* - Jessica Pinto (Ramon Mejia & Georgie Grieb Alternates)
8. *Cedar Creek/Forked River/Oyster Creek* – Jessica Pinto (Sean Yeats Alternate)

Separate (but related):

9. *Barnegat Bay Islands Initiative* – Chaired by Virginia Rettig (USFWS) and Co-Chaired – Kim McKenna (Stockton) – Christine Raabe, Kristin Adams & Becky Laboy (serves on the Communications/Outreach sub-group)
10. *Southern BB and Little Egg Harbor Watershed* – JCNERRS*/ Rutgers Center for Remote Sensing and Spatial Analysis (CRSSA) – Lisa Auermuller Main Contact/Coordinator – Christine Raabe, Brittany Moore & Sean Yeats

* JCNERRS - *The Jacques Cousteau National Estuarine Research Reserve (JC NERR) is one of the 30 National Estuarine Research Reserves created to promote the responsible use and management of the nation's estuaries through a program combining scientific research, education, and stewardship.*

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