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Meeting Minutes - September 24, 2019

Present

Mike Bonham	Ralph Sickler	Tom Tedesco
Henry Dubois	Maury Sheets	Michelle Pedano

Vice Chairman Ralph Sickler opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Due notice by order of the "Sunshine Law" was given and noted.

Meeting Minutes

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

Financial Report

Mike reviewed the financial report and noted that the District's net income from June 16, 2019 through September 15, 2019 was \$2,627.98. Chapter 251 revenue was \$32,410.00. Motion to approve the financial reports made by Maury and seconded by Henry. Passed

251 Report

Mike reviewed the 251 report, and noted routine activity. Project submittals for commercial development have increased for the reporting period. Permanent stabilization has been slow due to the dry weather. Motion to approve the report made by Henry and seconded by Tom. Passed.

NRCS - Cumberland & Salem Field Offices

Michelle presented the NRCS reports for the Cumberland and Salem Field offices. Nick Saumweber has taken a new role as Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations for NRCS. Michelle is currently servicing as Acting District Conservationist at the Vineland Service Center. A quality assurance review was conducted at the Vineland Service Center in September. The South Jersey Congressional Tour with Congressman VanDrew will take place on October 8th at Rabbit Hill Farms and Tuckahoe Turf. Several conservation agreements and one conservation plan were

presented for approval. Motion to approve the NRCS action items made by Ralph and seconded by Maury. Passed.

2019 NJACD/SSCC Annual Conference

Mike discussed the 2019 annual conference which will be held on December 2nd at the Rutgers EcoComplex in Columbus. Supervisors are encouraged to attend the conference to obtain the proper credits required for the supervisor performance standards.

FY2019 Audit

Nightlinger Colavita and Volpa are currently working on the FY2019 District audit.

Agricultural Issues

A large NRCS waterway project in Hopewell Township is under construction and should be completed within a few weeks. This project was designed to control water runoff from a neighboring nursery.

Soil and Water Cost Share

Mike discussed the irrigation well cost share amounts. There has not been any progress made to adjust these rates to be reflective of actual costs.

SSCC Engineering Support

John Showler will be out of the office for an extended period of time. Frank Minch stated they the SSCC is working with various agencies (NJDEP/NRCS) to provide engineering support during this time.

Being no further open session business, the open portion of the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m. Motion made by Tom and seconded by Henry. Passed.