

# Monthly Board Meeting Minutes March 26, 2024 South Licking Watershed Conservancy District

The South Licking Watershed Conservancy District Board of Supervisors met at 9 a.m. at Ag Service Building: 771 E. Main Street, Newark, OH 43055. Zoom was available for staff and the public to attend.

Those present in person and Zoom were:

Directors: Roll Call	Public/Guests	Zoom Attendees
Daniel Blatter	Kyle Seitz	David Moore
Kevin Elder	Britney Stuller	Kari Machenbach
Linda Nicodemus- zoom	Kristy Hawthorne	David Straub
	Jeremy Osborne	Matt O'Donnell

Kevin Elder called the meeting to order at 9:02am.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Roll Call
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Minutes from January 23, 2024

Daniel Blatter moved to accept the minutes from January 23, 2024 and the special meeting minutes from February 27, 2024 Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- V. Treasurer's Report
  - a. Financials for January 2024 & February 2024: Directors went over and discussed financial reports.

Daniel Blatter moved to accept the financial reports from January 2024 & February 2024. Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#### VI. Old Business

#### a. MWCD PWM Grant- Raccoon Creek Flood Study-

i. Firm selected, contract to review

Daniel Blatter moved to accept entering into a contract with HDR for the Raccoon Creek Flood Reduction Study. Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## VII. Watershed Update

## a. Licking County SWCD (Kristy Hawthorne & Kyle Seitz)-

- i. Grosse Brothers Wetland 319 Project-
  - 1. Hawthorne & Seitz are working through all the paperwork
  - 2. They have had discussions with EPA on the wetlands
  - 3. H2Ohio Funding paperwork was processed at the 4/2/24 board meeting
  - 4. Hawthorne stated they do need an easement from Licking County Sewer
  - 5. Possibility of not being finished in 2024
- **ii.** OEPA Projects
  - 1. Package sewer plants
    - a. There was a public hearing and they had so many opposition letters, they will not be moving forward
  - 2. Central Ohio Water Study
    - a. Hazen has won the bid
    - b. No new testing, they will just be gathering all current data
- **iii.** Upcoming Events
  - 1. USACE Flood Tour, Friday 3/29
  - 2. CWP Presentation 4/9 in Kansas City
  - **3.** United Way Licking County Community Council Meeting-Environmental topic 4/10
  - 4. LC Chamber- Ag focus topic June 2024

## b. Fairfield County SWCD (Jonathan Ferbrache)- See attached email

- i. Walnut Township project- LOS for capital budget request
  - 1. Approximately \$14 million project from beginning to end
  - 2. Kari from ms consultants discussed completing the 2D model early last fall
  - **3.** It will be an 8-phase project
  - **4.** \$1.7 million secured for phases to begin
  - **5.** Senator Tim Schaffer offering more funding for the phases (1-time strategic funding)
  - 6. Looking for letter of support

Daniel Blatter moved to submit a letter of support with discussed revisions for a capital budget request for the Walnut Township project Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## c. Perry County SWCD (David Snider)-

i. The Honey Creek 319 streambank stabilization project not moving forward

## VIII. New Business

## IX. Motion to adjourn:

Daniel Blatter moved to adjourn at 9:58 am, Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

## X. Next Regular Meeting: May 28, 2024 at 3:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Britney Stuller, Secretary/Treasurer

Kevin Elder, Chair SLWCD

Linda Nicodemus, Director SLWCD