

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes July 22, 2025

South Licking Watershed Conservancy District

The South Licking Watershed Conservancy District Board of Supervisors met at 3:00 pm at the 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	Guests	Zoom Attendees
Daniel Blatter	Kyle Seitz	Kari Mackenbach	Rome Marinelli
Kevin Elder	Kristy Hawthorne	John Hoopengardner	
Linda Nicodemus	Britney Miller		
	Jaret Boettcher		

Director Dan Blatter called the meeting to order at 3:04 pm.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Roll Call
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Meeting Minutes from May 27, 2025

Linda Nicodemus moved to accept the Meeting Minutes from May 27, 2025; Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- V. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Financials for May & June 2025: Directors went over and discussed financial reports and invoices.

Linda Nicodemus moved to accept the financial reports from May & June 2025; Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- VI. Old Business
 - a. Record Retention Policy
 - i. Discussion of new policy-required for auditing purposes

Linda Nicodemus moved to approve the Record Retention Policy; Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Final Logo approval-

Kevin Elder moved to approve the new South Licking Watershed Conservancy District Logo; Linda Nicodemus seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Watershed Update

- a. Licking County SWCD (Kristy Hawthorne & Kyle Seitz)
 - i. Nature Conservancy Wetland Grant- Kristy Hawthorne, Kyle Seitz
 - 1. Hawthorne discussed the grant-\$1.2 million project sponsored by LCSWCD
 - 2. Ironsite/Burgess & Niple selected
 - 3. Additional funding
 - ii. Raccoon Creek Logjam Removal Project update- Kristy Hawthorne, Kyle Seitz
 - 1. Kyle discussed meeting with USACE (Clancy)
 - a. Went over next steps and timeline
 - b. Extensive time- 2027 construction
 - c. Financial- Amount went up so SLWCD will have to contribute more money
 - d. Meeting for updates coming soon
 - e. No movement at this time
 - iii. Raccoon Creek Flood Study- Kristy Hawthorne
 - 1. Completed-Final report uploaded to the SLWCD website
 - iv. Cristland Hills Wetland Project update- Kristy Hawthorne, Kyle Seitz
 - 1. Contracted with MAD Scientists to update plans
 - 2. Meeting on July 23rd
 - 3. Buckeye Lake Region Corp paid the \$9,500.00 fee
 - v. Pre-Planning Committee- Kristy Hawthorne on Natural Resources & Ag Committee
 - 1. Land use comprehensive plan
 - a. Scope of work to review
 - b. Need returned by next week

b. Fairfield County SWCD (Jonathan Ferbrache)-

- i. Flood Event 2025- Nikki Drake via email
- ii. Walnut Township Update- Johnathan Ferbrache via email/ Kari Mackenbach
 - 1. Kari discussed the 2D model ms consultants has completed
 - a. Shows velocity and depths
 - 2. Kari worked with Township trustees to install sewer stormwater infrastructure
 - 3. Residents have been encouraged to promote causing less problems
 - 4. No-filling floodplains- on in areas having flooding/drainage issues
 - 5. Will present one more time to residents on August 7th
- c. Perry County SWCD (David Snider)- no update

VIII. New Business

- a. Watershed Plan- steps to move forward- John Hoopengardner
 - i. Official plan needs prepared
 - ii. Prioritize where to start- can be done in parts
 - iii. Look into professional assistance
 - iv. Board of Appraisers needed
 - v. Goes through court for approval
 - 1. Hearings
 - 2. Fix or address objections
 - vi. Submit final plan to court for court and board to approve
 - vii. Could take 2+ years
- b. Letters of Support-Village of Hebron & Northfork Watershed
 - i. Village of Hebron requesting Letter of Support for MWCD Grant for NPS-IS

Kevin Elder moved to approve submitting a Letter of Support for the Village of Hebron for their application to MWCD for a NPS-IS grant; Linda Nicodemus seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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Kevin Elder moved to approve submitting a Letter of Support for Washington Township for their application for a NPS-IS grant; Linda Nicodemus seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. Motion to adjourn:

Linda Nicodemus moved to adjourn at 4:56 pm, Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

X. Next Meeting: September 23, 2025 at 3:00pm at Licking County Soil &Water- 771 East Main Street, Newark, OH 43055

Fairfield Special Meeting for Proposed Regulation of Fill Within the Floodplain- August 7, 2025 at 7:00pm at Whetstone Community Center- 2557 Canal Drive, Millersport

Respectfully submitted,
Britney Miller, Secretary/Treasurer
Daniel Blatter, Chair SLWCD
Linda Nicodemus, Director SLWCD