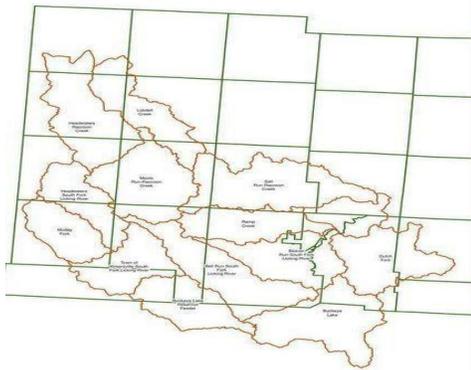


Monthly Board Meeting
 Minutes
 August 23, 2022

*South Licking Watershed
 Conservancy District*



The South Licking Watershed Conservancy District Board of Supervisors met at 6 p.m. at the Hebron Municipal Complex, 934 W Main Street, Hebron Oh 43025. Zoom was available for staff and the public to attend.

Those present in person and Zoom were:

Directors: Roll Call	Public/Guests	Zoom Attendees	Zoom Attendees
Daniel Blatter	Kristy Hawthorne	Britney Stuller	Matt Baumann
Kevin Elder	Jerry Berkhimer	Kyle Seitz	Miles Hebert
Linda Nicodemus		Erica White	Sebastian Teas
		Sharon Spahr	Barbera Bebout
		David Straub	

Chair Elder called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm

- I. Pledge of Allegiance**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Minutes from July 26, 2022**

Daniel Blatter moved to accept the minutes from July 26, 2022. Linda Nicodemus seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- IV. Treasurer’s Report for July 2022:** Directors went over and discussed financial reports.

Linda Nicodemus moved to accept the financial reports from July 2022. Daniel Blatter seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Kristy Hawthorne discussed the importance of getting D&O Insurance. Directors agreed.

Daniel Blatter moved to approve getting quotes for D&O Insurance for SLWCD Directors and Treasurer. Linda Nicodemus seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- V. Muskingum Watershed Plan Update (Erica White, ODA Region 5 Manager)-** Erica shared and discussed an ODA Watershed Presentation. Authorized by House Bill 7.
 - a. Erica discussed objectives and timelines

- b. Finalizing characterization and description of the Watershed
- c. Goal is to have a completed Watershed Plan draft by the end of the year
- d. Erica went over structure and content flow
- e. She also discussed Stakeholder engagement
 - i. All Regional
 - ii. SWCD water quality staff
 - iii. technical assistance

VI. Old Business

a. SLWCD Projects & Grants

- i. **SLWCD Flood Damage Reduction Planning Study (Miles Hebert)**- Miles shared a map of the watershed and discussed areas of concern and showed the major log jams.
 - 1. Miles discussed the NRCS funding that was requested. NRCS currently does not have the staff to be able to complete this project at this time.
 - a. It was suggested to set up a meeting with NRCS to update the new staff at the state office to explain the studies currently underway.
- ii. **Raccoon & Lobdell Creek Debris & Field Study and Snag & Clearing Grant (Kyle Seitz)**- Kyle stated he had been to various organizations in the watershed to share information. He continues to share information with the Silver Jackets and landowners on Raccoon Creek to gather data.

b. Watershed Update

- i. **Fairfield County SWCD (Johnathan Ferbrache)**- Johnathan emailed the date for the Stormwater Conveyance Study Project update and Public Input Meeting, which will be Thursday, August 25th at 7pm at the Walnut Township grade school auditorium.
- ii. **Licking County SWCD (Kristy Hawthorne & Kyle Seitz)**-
 - 1. Kristy discussed the annual River Round Up and encouraged everyone to join in
 - 2. Hawthorne discussed the City of Newark looking into doing a study on the Log Pond Run area. Lindsey Brighton is requesting a letter of support to do a flood reduction study in that area.

Linda Nicodemus moved to send a letter of support to the City of Newark for their Log Pond Run Flood Reduction Study. Daniel Blatter seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- 3. Hawthorne also stated that the City of Newark received \$7,000.00 from MWCD towards debris removal on the North Fork.

iii. **Perry County SWCD (David Snider)**-

- 1. Sebastian Teas discussed the new position and stated he is still involved in the Bloody Run Wetland Project, which will start construction in December
- 2. Kevin Elder attended a zoning meeting for Honey Creek about a proposed housing development. There are concerns about Honey Creek impacted and discussions with the developer are ongoing.

VII. New Business

a. **Fairfield County Emergency Management**- Countywide All Natural Mitigation Plan Update

- i. Directors need to submit plans to appear in the Plan in order to be eligible for your FEMA Grants)
- ii. Dan and Linda participated in one of the meetings

- iii. Critical areas identified (Honey Creek, wetlands, bank stabilization, etc.)
- b. Matt Baumann discussed needing letters to act on the Feeder Creek Study
- c. Linda stated she will be attending the OWLS conference in September 8 & 9.
- d. Matt Baumann shared that they have 14 aerators up and running in Buckeye Lake now.

VIII. Public Comment

- a. Jerry Birkhimer (5200 White Chapel Road) discussed living in the South Fork area and the log jams in the Dutch Fork by his property. He stated he has lost 30-40 feet of bank. Looking for funds/grants or ways to get it cleaned up. The directors explained he is in the area of concern that we are working to get grants to clean up.

IX. Motion to adjourn:

Daniel Blatter moved to adjourn at 7:35pm, Linda Nicodemus seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

X. Next Meeting: September 27, 2022- 6pm Hebron Municipal Complex

Respectfully submitted,

Britney Stuller, Secretary/Treasurer

Kevin Elder, Chair SLWCD

Linda Nicodemus, Director SLWCD