

Monthly Board Meeting Minutes March 22, 2022 South ficking Watershed Conservancy District

The South Licking Watershed Conservancy District Board of Supervisors met at 6 p.m. at the Licking County Soil & Water Building, 771 E Main Street, Newark, OH 43055. Zoom was available for staff and public to attend.

Directors: Roll Call	Public/Guests	Zoom Attendees
Daniel Blatter	Britney Stuller	Miles Hebert
Kevin Elder	Kristy Hawthorne	Sebastian Teas
	Kyle Seitz	Jen Bowman
	Dave Levacy	
	Rando & Dutch from River Rangers	

Those present in person and Zoom were:

Absent: Linda Nicodemus

- I. Chair Elder called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Visitors
- V. Minutes from February 22, 2022

Dan Blatter moved to accept the minutes from February 22, 2022. Keven Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Treasurer's Report for February:

Dan Blatter moved to accept the financial reports from February 2022. Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- VII. Old Business
 - a. Watershed Update
 - i. Fairfield SWCD (Johnathan Ferbrache)- Chair Elder stated Johnathan had sent an update via e-mail. The e-mail is attached to the minutes.
 - **ii.** LCSWCD (Kristy Hawthorne & Kyle Seitz)- Watershed Specialist, Kyle Seitz, gave an update on the Raccoon Creek/Lobdell log jam. He then spoke about Granville droning part of the creek and gaining a lot of important information.

DPA Hawthorne discussed the H2Ohio Wetland Grant and that the Banded Brothers will be sending their application in again in April for their Kirkersville wetland. Hawthorne asked directors for a letter of support.

Dan Blatter moved to write a letter of support for the H2Ohio Wetland Grant for the Banded Brothers. Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Jen Bowman discussed speaking with MWCD about e-coli testing. She stated each sample would cost \$400.00 to test. They are looking at the South Fork Licking River as a possible location for HUC 8. They will be submitting a HABRI proposal. Kristy Hawthorne asked if funds were made available for more testing, if additional areas of the Buckeye Lake watershed could be tested. Jen Bowman stated she didn't see why that wouldn't be feasible if the funding was there.

Hawthorne went on to discuss the new ODA Watershed Manager for our area, Erica White and gave a brief summary of her responsibilities.

iii. Perry SWCD/ Buckeye Lake Watershed (Sabastian Teas)- Sebastian discussed the aerator units and that they are sampling 4 locations. He also stated Christel Beach has a new aerator installed but the electric is not turned on yet. They did get a baseline sample taken.

Sebastian stated the 319 Wetland is still in the design phase.

Jen Bowman discussed speaking with Terry Fischer with Bike Buckeye Lake and stated they are still looking for funding for the wetlands. She asked Sebastian if 319 funds were still available and Sebastian stated they were and the 9-Element Plan would just need updated and resubmitted to the EPA.

b. Funding update- Vice Chair Blatter discussed receiving the \$54,011.25 funding from the LC Commissioners. He stated it has been deposited. Perry County has still not committed to financial support.

VIII. New Business

a. Watershed Plan update/revision: SLWCD Flood Damage Reduction Planning Study- Miles with EMH&T discussed the next steps. He stated he would like to plan a couple of meetings very soon to begin planning. He discussed wanting to work on Stakeholder involvement and stated he has met with Kari from MS Consultants for her list of stakeholders.

IX. Motion to adjourn:

Dan Blatter moved to adjourn at 7:01 p.m., Kevin Elder seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Next meeting will be held at the Hebron Municipal Complex on April 19th, at 6pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Britney Stuller, Secretary/Treasurer

Kevin Elder, Chair SLWCD

Linda Nicodemus, Director SLWCD