

REGULAR MEETING -- Board of Supervisors
Anne Arundel Soil Conservation District
2662 Riva Road, Ste. 150
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
February 15, 2023
7:30 AM to 8:00 AM Closed Meeting
8:00 AM to 10:00 AM Open Meeting

Supervisors Present:	Brian Riddle, Chair 03.17	9/11
	Gary Palmer, Vice- Chair 02.18	12/12
	Vaughn Foxwell, Treasurer 06.17	7/8
	Christine Catterton, Member 7.19	7/7
	Mike Superczynski, Associate Supervisor 01.15	1/1
	Billy Ford, Associate Supervisor 5.22	7/9
	Robert Schaefer, Associate Supervisor 3.22	9/11
Others Present:	Mitch LeMueix, District Conservationist, NRCS	
	Dave Myers, UMD Extension	
	John Czajkowski, District Manager, SCD	
	Shelley Garrett, Soil Conservation Specialist, SCD	
	Keli Kirby, Office Manager, SCD	
Absent:	Adam Lyon, Area Coordinator, MDA	
	Donald Entzian, Member 7.19	6/7
	Mark Hopkins, Associate Supervisor 5.22	8/9
	Lisa Barge, Associate Supervisor 5.22	7/9

Closed Meeting

Time of Session: 7:37 am (Foxwell, Catterton) *All in Favor* – 7:44a am (Catterton, Foxwell) *All in Favor*

Location: AASCD Office/ Virtual

Purpose: To vote on Cooperator's Agreement & SWQPs

Members who voted to close: G. Palmer, V. Foxwell, C. Catterton, B. Riddle

Persons attending closed session: G. Palmer, V. Foxwell, C. Catterton, D. Myers, B. Ford, R. Schaefer, J. Czajkowski, S. Garrett and K. Kirby

Topics discussed: SWQPs & Ag Structures

Each action taken: SWQPs Approved (Foxwell, Catterton) *All in Favor*

Agricultural Structures Approved (Catterton, Foxwell) *All in Favor*

The meeting was called to order at 8:07 a.m. by B. Riddle

MINUTES: (Catterton, Foxwell) *All in Favor*

- The January Meeting Minutes were accepted.

Financial, V. Foxwell: (Foxwell, Catterton) *All in Favor*

- The District financial reports were approved.
- The MDA financial report were approved.
- Discussion on moving monies into different CDs, investment options.

REPORTS:

Extension, D. Myers

- Southern MD Vegetable and Fruit Meeting last Thursday February 9th. 7 sponsors, 35 people. Extension may reinvent the meeting because expenses are on the rise and attendance is declining.
- Karol Dyson, Capital Area Extension Director, retired February 28th. D. Myers will step in as acting for the position.
- Update on Urban Farming Project: high tunnels going up, proposing 12 pepper varieties. Research vineyard- 1/10 acre with 4 red varieties. Will introduce patches of buckwheat, dent corn, cut flowers and asparagus; will continue with pumpkins.
- Staffing: Dr. Jinhee Kim is the new associate Dean and Associate Director of University of Maryland Extension; Druhti Patel is the new Senior Agent, Family and Consumer Sciences. Extension still has 7 vacancies.

Urban, K. Holland

- See attached Urban report.

NRCS, M. LeMueix

- See attached NRCS report.

Agriculture, J. Superczynski

- See attached Agriculture report.

Ag Commission

- Solar has been discussed at the Ag Commission; members were not in favor of transition from transitional farming to solar farming.

Old Business

- Ag Building Resolution (Palmer, Catterton) *All in Favor*
- Agricultural Ponds Resolution (Foxwell, Catterton) *All in Favor*

New Business

- Authorized Signatures for MDA Cost Share
- Quality Assurance Review – Report attached.
- Local Work Group – Report attached.
- NRCS – National Soil Survey Geographic Database (gNATSGO)
- Thank you from FFA for AASCD contribution.
- 2023 Cooperator’s Dinner discussion.

Supervisor Involved Dates to Remember

- February 17, 2023 – St. Mary’s Cooperator’s Dinner
- March 16, 2023 – Calvert 75th Anniversary Dinner & Cooperator of the Year
- April 18, 2023 – Envirothon Competition at Arlington Echo

Other Dates to Remember

- February 23, 2023 – Arundel Ag Connection at Honey Harvest Farm
- March 17, 2023 – Envirothon Training at Arlington Echo

SET TIME AND DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

- The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m. (Palmer, Catterton) *All in Favor*
- The next meeting is March 15th, 2023 @ 8:00 a.m.