FREEHOLD SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Regular Meeting 4000 Kozloski Road October 8, 2014 Freehold, NJ

I. Call to Order

Chairman Charles Buscaglia called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III.	<u>Roll Call</u>	Present	Absent
	Charles Buscaglia	x	
	Bob Dreyer	x	
	Don Patterson	x	
	Roger Gravatt		X
	Wayne Van Hise	x	

Staff Present: Ines Zimmerman and Christina F. LaBianca

Others Present: Doug Kauffman, Natural Resources Conservation Service

IV. Compliance Statement

Christina F. LaBianca confirmed that the Open Public Meetings Act had been satisfied by notifying the Asbury Park Press, the Home News, and Monmouth and Middlesex County Clerks.

V. Approval of Minutes

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the September 17, 2014, regular meeting. Bob Dreyer made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting once some more specific details were added, such as the mount of the bills for payment and the resolution number, also making note that these forms were attachments to the official minutes. Wayne VanHise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

VI. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>

The Board members reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Bob Dreyer made a motion to approve the Treasurer Report as presented. Wayne VanHise seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously. The board discussed the certificate of deposit that is due to mature tomorrow. The District was able to secure the same rate of 1.25% for two years by leaving it at the New Jersey Community Bank. Don Patterson made a motion to renew the CD at NJ Community Bank for the 24-month term and to at the end of the month if Freehold Savings is able to offer similar rates to renew that one for a 24-month term as well. Bob Dreyer seconded the motion and the motion was passed by the following roll call vote: Mr. Patterson – yes, Mr. Dreyer – yes, Mr. VanHise – yes, and Mr. Buscaglia – yes.

VII. Bills for Payment

The board reviewed the bills for payment for October (in the amount of \$105,609.39, list attached). Don Patterson made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Wayne VanHise seconded the motion. The motion passed by the following roll call vote: Mr. Dreyer – yes, Mr. VanHise – yes, Mr. Patterson – yes, and Mr. Buscaglia – yes.

VIII. <u>Correspondence</u>

Education Report

September 24, 2014 Thank you from South Jersey RC&D Council for donation to the 2014 Tour des Farms event

IX. Committee Reports

A. Education Committee

- 1. Outreach:
- *Marlboro Day*: We provided materials for 400 people at Marlboro Day, featuring Forests for People.
- *Wild Expo*: We displayed the Soil Tunnel at the NJDEP Wild Outdoor Expo. We provided information on "Dig Deeper: Mysteries in the Soil," education programs and the Photo Contest. The attendance was 6,300+.
- *Trout in the Classroom*: The equipment and supplies were delivered and all Letters of Agreement are in. Eggs will be delivered mid-October.
- Photo Contest: Entries are coming in. The Deadline is October 17th.
 - 2. NJ Conservation
- *Poster Contest*: The theme for the 2015 Poster Contest is "Local Heroes Your Hardworking Pollinators"
- *Envirothon*: The 2015 event will be held at the Cape May County 4-H Fairgrounds in Cape May Court House, NJ. Holly is creating the Envirothon annual newsletter.
- *Flower Show*: We are planning a meeting this month for the 2015 Flower Show, which will be February 12-15. The theme is "The Great American Novel."

X. District Manager's Report

1. *Fiscal Year 2014 Audit:* The completed audit was presented to the board for review and approval. Wayne VanHise made a motion to approve the audit as presented and to send a copy to the SSCC office in Trenton. Bob Dreyer seconded the motion and the motion was passed by the following roll call: Mr. VanHise – yes, Mr. Dreyer – yes, Mr. Patterson – yes, and Mr. Buscaglia – yes.

2. *H* & *H Database Update*: The staff has been working on entering the necessary hydrology data for the H & H project. Work is moving along nicely and should be able to meet the deadline in March.

XII: Old Business

• There was no old business to be discussed at this time.

XIII: New Business

- 1. Bob Dreyer made a motion to approve the attached list of certified plans. Don Patterson seconded the motion and the motion passed.
- 2. There were no denied plans.
- 3. Bob Dreyer made a motion to approve the attached list of authorized stormwater permits. Don Patterson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Charlie informed the Board that the NJACD Annual Meeting will only be one-day this year. It is tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 24th, at the Eco-Center in Burlington County. Registration and agenda information should be received soon.

XI. Reports from other agencies represented

Doug Kauffman, NRCS

• The deadline for next year's funding is October 17th.

There are two conservation plans ready for District signature:

- 1. Iron Ore Road in Manalapan Forest management
- 2. Harbor Road in Morganville

Bob Dreyer made a motion to sign the two conservation plans as presented. Wayne VanHise seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed.

XIV: Adjournment

Wayne VanHise made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Dreyer seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously carried.

The next meeting is Wednesday, November 12th, 2014, at 7:30 pm.

Charles Buscaglia Chairman Christina F. LaBianca Secretary