

Supervisor Nominating Committee

Freehold Soil Conservation District  
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April 7, 2014

MINUTES

Ross Clayton, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 11:02 am.

<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Ross Clayton	x	
Ken Stattel	x	
Henry Rupp	x	
George O'Carroll	x	
Richard Obal	x	
William Potter	x	

Also in attendance were: Ines Zimmerman, Christina LaBianca, and Charles Buscaglia

Christina LaBianca confirmed that this meeting was being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act as required by the State Soil Conservation Committee's policy on Supervisor Nominations.

Chairman, Ross Clayton, welcomed the committee and thanked them for their time and interest in the Freehold Soil Conservation District.

The minutes of the Supervisor Nominating Committee meeting, held on April 3, 2013, were reviewed. George O'Carroll made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Rich Obal seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed.

Ross Clayton advised all in attendance that the terms of Robert Dreyer and Wayne Van Hise are due to expire on June 30, 2014. Both Mr. Dreyer and Mr. Van Hise have voiced their continued interest in serving on the Board of Supervisors for the Freehold Soil Conservation District.

The re-nomination application and self evaluation forms for Robert Dreyer and Wayne Van Hise were given to the members for review. Mr. Clayton highlighted the achievements stated on the forms as follows:

Mr. Van Hise is a farmer in Cream Ridge and has been a member of the Freehold SCD board since July 2011. Mr. Van Hise attended 25 of 31 District meetings, 2 of 3 annual state conferences, and 1 of 3 annual regional conferences as well as 3 of 3 national conferences and 3 of 3 regional Supervisor meetings. Ken Stattel made a motion to re-nominate Wayne Van Hise to a full-term to continue as a member. Henry Rupp seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Dreyer is a retired Superintendent from the Middlesex County Mosquito Commission residing in Metuchen and has been a member of the Freehold SCD board since January 1989. Mr. Dreyer attended 17 of 31 District meetings, 1 of 3 annual state conferences, and 1 of 3 annual regional conferences. There was some discussion regarding Mr. Dreyer's attendance this term. He had parent / in-law sickness and passing as well as two personal surgeries. This Committee feels that it would be hard to find a more qualified supervisor than Mr. Dreyer. At this time the Committee feels that Mr. Dreyer should be re-nominated for a full term, based on his experience and past attendance history (attached). George O'Carroll made a motion to re-nominate Robert Dreyer for a full-term to continue as a member. Henry Rupp seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

At this time Chairman Clayton asked, "Are there any further nominations from the floor?" "Without objection, nominations are closed."

The floor was then opened to public comment.

Mr. Rupp addressed the group. He expressed concern that the SSCC nominating committee might override the intent of the local nomination committee. He stated that the local committee has the best personal knowledge of the counties needs and often, the credentials of the participants. The nominating committees do not put forth the nominees lightly. The SSCC took the liberty of applying criteria to the supervisor nominees without consulting the local nominating committees. If the SSCC committee could override the nominating committee recommendations, why is there a local nominating committee at all? He asked that these points be carried to the SSCC.

Ross Clayton advised that the minutes of this meeting and all appropriate documentation for the nominations would be forwarded to the State Soil Conservation Committee.

There being no further business to discuss, Bill Potter made a motion to adjourn. Rich Obal seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ross Clayton  
Nominating Committee Chairman