

**Lancaster County Conservation District
Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
April 3, 2024 at 6:30 PM
Farm & Home Center, Pennfield Room, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA**

Attendees: **Board Members-** Herb Kreider, Geoffrey Rohrer, Gordon Hoover

Staff- Kevin Lutz, Kent Bitting, Matt Kofroth

6:36 PM Meeting Called To Order

- 1) The Committee was presented with 13 applications for the Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program (ACAP) funds, totaling \$2,793,160.69. This exceeded the available balance the District had to allocate to ACAP projects. Kent Bitting explained to the Committee that the remaining funds will be using a combination of ACAP and Conservation Excellence Grant (CEG) funds, as well as interest earned from those funds. A ranking form developed by the State Conservation Commission and Lancaster County Conservation District (LCCD) was used to prioritize the projects for the Committee to consider.

A motion was made by Herb Kreider and 2nd by Geoffrey Rohrer to recommend the projects below to the LCCD Board for approval. This passed the committee unanimously, with Gordon Hoover abstaining from the vote.

Landowner	District/Private Consultant	Municipality	BMPs	Total Project Cost	Total Grant Requested
Kenton Reiff	NCS, Inc.	Rapho Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Roof Runoff Structure, Structure for Water Control, HUA, Lined Outlet, Critical Area Planting, Animal Trail, Vegetated Treatment Area, Grassed Waterway	\$441,650.00	\$325,485.00
Robert Shearer	District	East Donegal Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Roof Runoff Structure, HUA, Animal Trail	\$151,500.00	\$136,300.00
Curtis Charles	Red Barn Consulting	East Hempfield Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Roofed HUA, Roof Runoff Structure, Underground Outlet, Obstruction Removal, Fence, Animal Trail, Critical Planting Area	\$232,049.00	\$210,944.00
Amos S. King Jr.	District	Manheim Twp.	Roofed Stacking Area, Roof Runoff Structure, Critical Area Planting, Access Road, HUA, Animal Trail, Underground Outlet	\$264,929.01	\$238,436.11

Elmer R. Blank	District	Salisbury Twp.	Grassed Waterway, Mulching	\$8,884.13	\$7,995.72
Ephraim Petersheim	Lancaster Farmland Trust	Bart Twp.	Manure Storage, Roofed Stacking Shed, Critical Planting Area, Fence, Lined Outlet, Obstruction Removal, Pumping Plant, Roof Runoff Structure, Access Road, Roofed HUA, Structure for Water Control, Subsurface Drain, Underground Outlet, Waste Transfer	\$466,033.60	\$386,033.60
Steve Strickland	District	Conoy Twp.	Roofed Stacking Area, Roofed HUA, Roof Runoff Structure, Fence, Obstruction Removal, Animal Trail	\$220,000.00	\$199,800.00
A. Keith Martin	District	Clay Twp.	Roofed Composting Facility, Roof Runoff Structure, HUA, Underground Outlet	\$94,768.77	\$85,291.89
Amos S. Miller	Lancaster Farmland Trust	Upper Leacock Twp.	Manure Storage, Underground Outlet, Fence, Access Road, Pumping Plant, Waste Transfer, HUA, Animal Trail, Roof Runoff Structure, Grassed Waterway, Mulching	\$418,363.00	\$358,363.00
John B. Miller	Lancaster Farmland Trust	Little Britain Twp.	Manure Storage, Underground Outlet, Fence, Access Road, Waste Transfer, HUA, Animal Trail, Critical Area Planting	\$186,432.00	\$156,432.00
John Stoltzfus	District	Leacock Twp.	Manure Storage, Roofed Stacking Shed, Fence, HUA, Waste Transfers	\$250,607.10	\$189,397.50
Totals				\$2,735,216.61	\$2,294,478.82

Kevin Lutz made a request to the committee for a volunteer to join Lauren Brodbar to deliver the Soil Stewardship Award to Lloyd King, as he was not able to attend the LCCD Awards Banquet on 3/26/24. Gordon Hoover offered to represent the Board of Directors with Lauren at a later day to be determined.

Meeting Adjourned 7:09 PM