

**LANCASTER COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
November 6, 2024**

The 870<sup>th</sup> regularly scheduled Board Meeting of the Lancaster County Conservation District (LCCD) was held in person at the Farm and Home Center for Directors and via Zoom Call-In on November 6, 2024, at 7:30 p.m.

**The following Directors were present:** Sonia Wasco, Chairwoman; Gordon Hoover, Herb Kreider, Geoffrey Rohrer, Roger Rohrer, Deryk Shaw, and Kent Weaver.

**The following Associate Directors were present:** Jenny Engle, Jay Snyder, Bob Shearer and Dan Zimmerman.

**The following District Staff were present:** Chris Thompson, Adam Stern, Stacey Hertz, Matt Kofroth, Kevin Lutz.

**The following Cooperating Agency representatives were present:** Heather Grove, USDA-NRCS; and Chaz Heberlig, DEP Field Representative; Allyson Gibson, Clean Water Partners.

**The following visitors were present:** None present.

Chairwoman Sonia Wasco called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Sonia welcomed everyone both in person and on Zoom.

Bob Shearer provided the invocation for the meeting.

**Introductions:** No Introductions.

**Additions to the Agenda:**

Adam Stern reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded.

**An opportunity was given for public comment:** No Comments.

**I. Agency Reports**

**1. USDA, NRCS**

Heather Grove reported that they started their new fiscal year and there are no additions to their provided report.

**2. PA DEP Field Rep Report**

Chaz Heberlig highlighted items in the printed Field Rep Report. The Larson Design Group – Technical Assistance Program, and the Spotted Lanternfly Program Grants application period. Also reminded everyone about the PAG-02 General Permit Renewal for Chapter 102. He highlighted some courses and options through Clean Water Academy. Chris commented that LCCD doesn't qualify for the Larson Design Group, but we are able to provide input.

**II. Consent Agenda**

There are no additions to the agenda, but there is an amendment to the minutes of the October 2, 2024 Board meeting item III.1 the sentence reading "Roger Rohrer motioned to have a planning meeting followed by a lunch starting at noon" will be amended to read "Roger Rohrer motioned to have a planning meeting following a lunch starting at noon." Roger Rohrer moved to accept the consent agenda with this amendment, and seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

**#1 – Minutes of October 2, 2024 Board meeting.**

**#2 – Technical Assistance Requests/Cancellations**

**#3 – Nutrient Management Plan Approvals**

**#4 – Conservation Plan Acknowledgement**

**Item II.2  
Requests for Technical Assistance**

<b>APPLICANT</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>TOWNSHIP</b>	<b>SIZE</b>	<b>ASSISTANCE</b>
None				

**Item II.3  
Requests for Nutrient Management Plan Approval (Lutz)  
October 2024 Activity  
November 6, 2024 Board Meeting**

To: The Lancaster County Conservation Board of Directors Nutrient Management Plan Review Committee:  
I respectfully submit these Nutrient Management Plans and/or Plan Amendments to the Nutrient Management Plan Review Committee.

I recommend these plans to be approved by the Board. The plans are for the following operations:

<b>OWNER</b>	<b>TOWNSHIP</b>	<b>OPERATION</b>	<b>DESIGNATION</b>	<b>AEU's /ACRE</b>	<b>REVIEWER</b>	<b>PLAN #</b>
Garrett Weaver	West Lampeter	Poultry	CAFO/VAO	0.46	Brodbar	484
David J. Smucker	Caernarvon	Dairy	CAO	2.56	Heigel	11
Seth Heisey	Manor	Layer	CAO	132.48	Reuter	3029
Cocalico Biologicals	East Cocalico	Rabbits	VAO	1.97	Long (Lebanon Co.)	231
Elam Fisher	Salisbury	Dairy	CAO	2.39	Brodbar	2222
David H. Martin	Little Britain	Swine/Pullet	CAFO/CAO	3.73	Adams	9
Elijah & David Lapp	Salisbury	Broiler	CAO	120.97	Brodbar	2477
Alvin Beiler	Strasburg	Dairy	CAO	2.74	Brodbar	933
Eli M. Stoltzfus	Colerain	Cow/Calf	CAO	5.27	Reuter	108
Kevin & Duane Nolt	Rapho	Swine	CAO	574.16	Riebling	297
Dennis R. Martin	Brecknock	Broiler	CAO	242.91	Heigel	293
Cody Martin	Manor	Layer	CAO	253.53	Reuter	3040
Kerek Musser	Rapho	Layer	CAFO/CAO	4.71	Riebling	98

**NMP Update Report to Lancaster County Conservation District Board of Directors  
August and September 2024 Activity  
October 2, 2024**

<b>NMP Name</b>	<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Plan Update Submission Date</b>	<b>Original NMP Approval Date</b>	<b>Planner<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Species<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>AEUs</b>	<b>Regulated Operation Type<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Date Plan Acknowledgement Letter Sent</b>	<b>Reason for Update</b>
Glenn & Joel Martin	Penn	8/12/2024	12/7/2022	William Rogers	Ducks	212.90	VAO CAFO	10/11/2024	Yearly Plan Submissions Update
Scattered Acres Inc.	West Cocalico	10/3/2024	10/4/2023	Britton Hartzok	Dairy	1306.2	CAO CAFO	10/21/2024	Simple Update

**Item II.4**  
**Acknowledgment of Conservation Plans (Lutz)**  
**The Lancaster NRCS Field Office recommends the following plans for the**  
**October 2, 2024 Board Meeting:**  
**NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE**

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
None			

**LCCD AG EROSION & SEDIMENTATION PLANS**

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
Leighann McGovern	1	Josh Pullen	Little Britain
Josh Martin	1	Brady Bosworth	Warwick

**III. Additional Business**

**1. Items removed from Agenda**

No items were removed from the Agenda.

**2. Treasurer’s Report**

Stacy Hertz reported that the Raymond James current value as of 10/28/2024 is \$812,000, today it is at a 8.6% gain at \$815,000. She created a new invest account to transfer the 2024-25 ACAP Funds to it’s own account. Chris clarified that for the ACAP funds there won’t be projects coming in for approval until at least January. The trasurer’s report was filed subject to audit.

**3. Budget & Finance Committee/Budget Presentation**

Matt Kofroth highlighted the 2025 draft Budget, there was one wording change on the 2023 revenue and expenses were “actual amounts” and not budgeted totals. Gordon Hoover moved to accept the draft Budget, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Personnel Committee – Parental Leave Benefit**

Dan Zimmerman stated no comments or questions have been received for the new paid Parental Leave benefit. Herb Kreider moved to approve the Parent Leave Benefit as presented, seconded by Deryk Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

**5. Ag Committee Report**

Kevin Lutz requested a “well set-back” waiver for Bryan Zeiset who would like to construct Manure Storage within 100 feet of a private drinking well. Roger Rohrer moved to accept the waiver request, seconded by Gordon Hoover. The motion passed unanimously.

Kevin also presented a request to purchase a vehicle with two different options. A 2021 Ford Ranger for \$28,900 or a new 2024 Ford Ranger for \$38,2525 for ACAP use. Herb Kreider moved to accept the proposal as stated, seconded by Gordon Hoover. The motion passed unanimously.

**6. 2025 E&S Permit Review and Fee Schedule Approval**

Adam Stern highlighted the proposed fee scheduled to go into effect 1/1/2025. Roger Rohrer moved to accept the fee scheduled, seconded by Deryk Shaw. There were some questions and discussions regarding how often the schedule gets updated, and how we are not the “highest” district. The motion passed unanimously.

## **7. PennVest – Elam Beiler/Approval to Fund**

Chris Thompson reviewed the Elam Beiler project at 208 Rosedale Rd in Christiana, PA for the Board that they approved acting as the funding sponsor last spring.

The project includes the construction of various manure management and manure storage facilities, waste transfer lines, a roofed heavy use area, animal walkways, roofing and gutters, access ways, infiltration beds, streambank fencing, various other improvements and facilities, as well as the decommissioning of an under barn storage. Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority approved funding for the project in the form of a “Principle Forgiveness” award of \$1,063,000. An administrative fee for the District of approximately \$10,639 is expected. This is the third and final review for the Board and construction is expected to begin this spring, 2025.

Roger Rohrer moved to approve sponsoring the funding proposal for Mr. Beiler and to authorize District Officers, Chairman Wasco and Treasurer/Secretary Weaver, as signers. Geoff Rohrer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## **IV. Reports/Information**

### **1. Correspondence, News and Updates – Reviewed by Chris**

- Chambers Ag Industry Banquet Invite
- 319 Press Event with EPA & DEP

### **2. E&S/NPDES Monthly Projects Report**

Adam Stern reported that the total plan submission will be larger than the previous year because of the requested NPDES renewals. He also reported that 464 letters were sent out in August, 133 have requested a renewal or terminated their project’s permit.

### **3. Conservation Foundation Report – CWP – Biannual Review**

Allyson Gibson reported on the shared goals of Clean and Clear Water in Lancaster County by 2040. She highlighted what has been working so far and the results of that work, such as the Chesapeake Bay report card. Allyson also discussed the different grants they are doing work for the District, such as CAP and ARPA. There were additional discussions related to grants and where they come from.

### **4. PACD South Central Director’s Meeting Report**

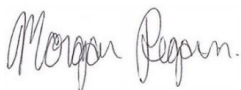
Sonia Wasco highlighted the 2025 Joint Annual Conference in July and where it is going to be located.

## **V. Additional Public Comment:**

## **VI. Meeting Adjourned**

Sonia Wasco adjourned the meeting at 9:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Morgan Regan  
E&S Administrative Support Specialist