

**LANCASTER COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 3, 2025**

The 879th 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 September 3, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

The following Directors were present: Sonia Wasco, Chairperson; Herb Kreider, Gordon Hoover, Kent Weaver, Deryk Shaw, Roger Rohrer, Ken Meck, and Commissioner Ray D’Agostino.

The following Associate Directors were present: Jennifer Engle, and Jay Snyder.

The following District Staff were present: Chris Thompson, Stacey Hertz, Matt Kofroth, Sallie Gregory, Kent Bitting, Kevin Lutz, Dung Thuy Kieu Le, Amanda Goldsmith, Tristan Conrad, Tyler Keefer, and Adam Stern.

The following Cooperating Agency representatives was present: Chaz Heberlig; DEP Field Representative, Mark Myers; District Conservationist, NRCS-USDA.

The following visitors were present: None present.

Introductions: Sonia began the meeting with some interesting facts about September. Kevin Lutz introduced Tristan Conrad.

Additions to the Agenda: No Additions.

Adam Stern reminded everyone that the meeting was being recorded.

An opportunity was given for public comment: None.

I. Agency Reports

1. USDA, NRCS

Mark Myers highlighted the written report.

2. PA DEP Field Rep Report

Chaz Heberlig reviewed his written report, highlighted the dates for the State Water Plan Regional Advisory Committes, keeping up with the Chapter 102 program, State Conservation Commission Updates.

II. Consent Agenda

Gordon Hoover moved to accept the Consent Agenda, seconded by Herb Krieder. The motion passed unanimously.

#1 – Minutes of August 6, 2025 Board meeting.

#2 – Technical Assistance Requests/Cancellations

#3 – Nutrient Management Plan Approvals

#4 – Conservation Plan Acknowledgement

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

APPLICANT	TITLE	TOWNSHIP	SIZE	ASSISTANCE
None Submitted				

Item II.3
Requests for Nutrient Management Plan Approval (Lutz)
August 2025 Activity
September 3, 2025 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:

OWNER	TOWNSHIP	OPERATION	DESIGNATION	AEU's /ACRE	REVIEWER	PLAN #
Eugene & Ryan Nolt	Earl	Swine/Beef	CAFO/CAO	12.38	Bosworth	269
Josiah Martin	Brecknock	Broiler/Swine/Dairy	CAO	2.65	Heigel	270
Mike Denlinger	West Cocalico	Layer	CAO	55.89	Heigel	304
Tim Hurst	Little Britain	Swine/Dairy	CAFO/CAO	5.86	Adams	36
Andrew Brinton	Fulton	Swine/Layer	CAFO/VAO	1.65	Adams	332
Philip Hoover	Mount Joy	Pullet	CAFO/CAO	19.67	Lutz	276
Stephen/Phillip Hershey	Rapho	Layer/Beef	CAFO/CAO	22.35	Riebling	3
Tom Zartman Jr.	Clay	Swine	CAFO/CAO	1.58	Bosworth	18
Seth Hershey	East Donegal	Pullet/Beef	CAFO/VAO	1.44	Bosworth	153
Mike Rohrer	Manor	Dairy	CAFO/CAO	4.08	Reuter	265
Theodore Esbenshade	Conoy/E. Hempfield	Layer	CAFO/CAO	5.22	Schavnis	44
Carl & John Myer	Penn	Dairy	CAFO/VAO	1.31	Riebling	408
Kenton Reiff	Rapho	Beef/Duck	CAFO/VAO	1.3	Riebling	2296

NMP Update Report to Lancaster County CD Board of Directors									
Technician:									
Date Range:	July, 25 – Aug, 25								
NMP Name	Municipality	Plan Update Submission Date	Original NMP Approval Date	Planner ¹	Species ²	AEUs	Regulated Operation Type ³	Date Plan Acknowledgement Letter Sent	Reason for Update
Kenton Reiff	Rapho	7/7/2025	3/2/2022	Amber Funk	Ducks/Beef	418.5 2	VAO/CAFO	8/20/2025	Simple Update
Dean & Angie Stoner	Rapho	7/30/2025	7/2/2025	Jedd Moncavage	Broilers	183.8 2	CAO	8/20/2025	Simple Update

Item II.4
Acknowledgment of Conservation Plans (Lutz)
The Lancaster NRCS Field Office recommends the following plans for the
September 3, 2025 Board Meeting:
NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
Daniel W. Ebersol	1	Camila Martinez-Sanchez	Salisbury
Kenneth H. High	1	Christine Griesemer	Ephrata
Kenneth H. High	2	Christine Griesemer	Warwick
Martin Grandview Farms LLC	10	McKinley Morris	Mount Joy

LCCD AG EROSION & SEDIMENTATION PLANS

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
Lew Witmer	1	Greg Heigel	West Hempfield
Stephen Beiler	1	Lauren Brodbar	Leacock
Matthew Wiker	1	Samantha Adams	Martic

III. Additional Business

1. Items removed from Consent Agenda

None.

2. Treasurer's Report

Stacey Hertz reported that the Raymond James fund had 13.2% gain and the value as of 8/29/2025 is \$857,362. As of 9/3/2025 the Raymond James fund dropped about \$200. The invest account interest gained 4.26%, and as of 9/3/2025 has \$17.4 million. She also highlighted the Grant funding and the interest earned from those accounts so far that will go back into the grants. She also gave an update on the auditors progress completing the 2024 audit.

3. ACAP/CEG Project Approval

Kent Bitting requested approval for the two projects listed below. Gordon Hoover moved to approve, seconded by Roger Roher. The motion passed unanimously.

Landowner	District/Private Consultant	Municipality	BMPs	Total Project Cost	Total Grant Requested
Dean Stoner	District	Rapho Twp	Roofed Stacking Shed, Roof Runoff Structure, Heavy Use Area	\$83,000.00	\$74,700.00
Bryan Byers	District	Drumore Twp	Roofed Mortality Composter, Roof Runoff Structure, Heavy Use Area	\$132,222.00	\$119,000.00
Totals				\$215,222.00	\$193,700.00

4. E&S Committee Report

Adam Stern reviewed the committee’s report specifically requesting the approval of E&S plans associated with Chapter 105 for internal projects be able to be reviewed in-house instead at Chester County. He is also requesting approval to increase the staff capacity by adding an additional Resource Conservationist and to begin researching the option of adding a PCSM Engineer to the team in 2026. Gordon Hoover moved to approve the report as presented, seconded by Deryk Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Budget & Finance Committee Report

Matt Kofroth highlighted his report, and is requesting approval to move forward with a proposal by SEK as the auditor. Gordon Hoover moved to approve as presented, seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Foundation for Pennsylvania Watersheds (FPW) Grant Application

Amanda Goldsmith requested approval to apply for the FPW Grant to go towards maintaining the SONDS units and improved data sharing. Roger Rohrer moved to approve as presented, seconded by Deryk Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

7. DG/LVR QAB Recommendation

Tyler Keefer requested approval for two Low Volume Road projects, a Dirt and Gravel Road project, an amendment to an existing project, listed below. Also the cancellation of the Cherry Hill Road project in Bart Township. Herb Kreider moved to accept the report, seconded by Gordon Hoover. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Road</u>	<u>Awarded Amount</u>	<u>Proposed Solution</u>
Rapho Township (DGR)	Johnson Mill Road	\$37,308.00	Road banks improved
Rapho Township	Spangler Road	\$25,920.00	Ditches improved, Off ROW improvements, Road banks improved, Storm water improvements.
Earl Township	Mill Road	\$47,869.00	Ditches improved, ditch outlets added, off ROW improvements, storm water improvements, vegetative management.
Lancaster City	W. Fulton Street AMENDMENT	\$45,975.20	Amendment to current project
<u>TOTAL</u>		\$119,764.20 (LVR)	\$37,308.00 (DGR)

8. Capital RC&D Appointments

Chris Thompson requested approval for the 2026 slate of representatives listed below. Herb Kreider moved to accept the three representatives, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

Raymond D’Agostino; Comissioner Representative
Greg Strausser; Member-at-Large
Lauren Brodbar(Pending); Alternate Delegate

9. SCC-MEB-PPP

Chris Thompson reviewed the new funding program and requested authority to approve sponsoring proposals to the SCC-PPP. Gordon Hoover moved to approve viable projects under the partnership, seconded by Deryk Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

10. 75th Gala Committee Update

Matt Kofroth requested approval for Flyway Excavating Inc. to sponsor the signature drink for the event and to allow an exception to the policies with regards to purchasing, transporting, and distribution of the alcohol. Roger Rohrer moved to approve, seconded by Gordon Hoover. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Reports & Information

1. Correspondence, News, and Updates

- Letter from Land Studies about an ownership change and becoming a subsidiary of The Davey Tree Company.
- Letter from TeamAg that they are expanding their services.
- Ad A. Crable III Obituary
- PACD announced naming Amy Brown as PACD new Executive Director.

2. E&S/NPDES Monthly Projects Report

Adam Stern reported that we are a little ahead of where we budgeted to be by this time of the year in regards to fees received. He also reported the amount of complaints received are due mostly to the rain events last month.

3. Legislative Outreach Report

Amanda Goldsmith reported for Sallie Gregory due to a technology issues and highlighted the legislative tour events of day.

4. Conservation Foundation Report

Matt Kofroth highlighted the Conservation Foundation Minutes which were included in the board packet.

5. Invocation Policy Review

Chris Thompson reviewed the draft policy and presented it for the required 30 day review period. The policy will be presented again next month for final approval.

V. Additional Public Comment:

None.

VII. Meeting Adjourned

Sonia Wasco adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully,



Morgan Regan
E&S Administrative Support Specialist