

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

The 881st 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 December 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, and Commissioner Ray D'Agostino. Roger Rohrer chaired the meeting due to Sonia attending remotely.

The following Associate Directors were present: Kyle Solyak, Jay Snyder, Dan Zimmerman Jennifer Engle, and Philip Dunn.

The following District Staff were present: Chris Thompson, Stacey Hertz, Matt Kofroth, Sallie Gregory, Kent Bitting, Kevin Lutz, Tyler Keefer, Adam Stern, Emma Riebling, Eric Hout, and Amanda Goldsmith.

The following Cooperating Agency representatives were present: Chaz Heberlig, DEP Field Representative; Mark Myers, District Conservationist, NRCS-USDA; Officer Jeffrey Schmidt, PA Fish and Boat.

The following visitors were present: None present.

Introductions: Roger Rohrer provided the invocation. Chris provided an introduction for a few people that don't attend regular meetings, and also the new associate director Philip Dunn.

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. Installation of New Associate Directors

Commissioner Ray D'Agostino installed Philip Dunn as a new associate director.

II. Agency Reports

1. USDA, NRCS

Mark Myers reported that they are working hard to catch up on the 6 weeks of lost time, and that any measurable activities will be included in the next report. He also updated on staffing that Jeff Scholly has retired, and that Lari Jo has come back part-time since Christine Formica did not return. He also reported that the deadlines for AMA, CSP & EQIP have been extended to 1/15/2025.

2. PA DEP Field Rep Report

Chaz Heberlig highlighted from his report the 2026 District Director Nominations, 2026 Virtual Annual Watershed Specialist Meeting, Manure Management Plan Administrative Completeness Review Guide has been released, and the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Restoration Division Annual Report.

III. Consent Agenda

Gordon Hoover moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

- #1 – Minutes of November 5, 2025 Board meeting.**
- #2 – Technical Assistance Requests/Cancellations**
- #3 – Nutrient Management Plan Approvals**
- #4 – Conservation Plan Acknowledgment**

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

APPLICANT ASSISTANCE	TITLE	TOWNSHIP	SIZE
None			

**Item III.3
Requests for Nutrient Management Plan Approval (Lutz)
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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 #
Darvin Myer	Penn/Elizabeth	Beef/Pullet	VAO	0.55	Riebling	2305
Marcus Hoover	Rapho	Layer	CAO	11.76	Riebling	173
Amos B. King	Drumore	Dairy	CAO	2.61	Adams	531
Dwilyn Beiler	Bart	Finishing Hogs	CAO	24.66	Reuter	235
Brandon Reiff	Pequea	Broiler	CAO	16.12	Reuter	3221
Jonas Stoltzfus	Salisbury	Dairy	CAO	8.33	Brodbar	123
Edwin Horning	Ephrata	Broiler	CAO	35.45	Heigel	517
Chester K. King	Salisbury	Dairy	CAO	2.04	Brodbar	2464
Adam Brandt	Mount Joy	Layer	CAFO/CAO	4.12	Schavnis	1292

NMP Update Report to Lancaster County CD Board of Directors

Date

Range: Nov-25 Nov-25

NMP Name	Municipality	Plan Update Submission Date	Original NMP Approval Date	Planner¹	Species²	AEUs	Regulated Operation Type³	Date Plan Acknowledgment Letter Sent	Reason for Update
Walnut Run Farms Partnership	Penn	11/12/2025	9/3/2025	Devlin Gerlach	Dairy	1460.65	VAO/CAFO	11/20/2025	Simple Update

**Nutrient Management Plan Transfer for Board Acknowledgment:
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Owner	Proposed Transfer Date	Township	Operation	Designation	AEU's/Acre	Reviewer	Plan #
Farm Fresh Egg Products, LLC to Noah W. Kreider & Sons, LLP	10/1/2025	Rapho	Layer	CAO CAFO	2480.6	Riebling	331

Item III.4

Acknowledgment of Conservation Plans (Lutz)

**The Lancaster NRCS Field Office recommends the following plans for the
November 5, 2025 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
Daniel L. King	1	Tristan Conrad	Upper Leacock

IV. Additional Business

1. Items removed from Consent Agenda

None.

2. Treasurer's Report

Stacey Hertz reported there was a gain of 17.1% and current amount of interest earned is \$179,300. The earnest interest rate for the Invest account is 4.07%. In the PA Invest account there is about \$17 million, and in the Citizens bank account is \$71,000. The larger amount in the Citizens bank account is due to payroll getting ready to come out. About \$10.3 million has been paid out in grant funds this month to get projects on the ground.

3. Personnel Committee

Dan Zimmerman requested approval to hire Kelsey Coultas for the Ag Conservation Technician position. Herb Kreider moved to approve the hire request, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

4. ACAP/CEG Project Approval

Kent Bitting requested approval to move forward with the projects listed below utilizing \$22,278.43 worth of CEG funding. Herb Kreider moved to approve as presented, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

Landowner	District/Private Consultant	Municipality	BMPs	Total Project Cost	Total Grant Requested
James L. Ranck	District	Sadsbury Twp.	Gradient Terrace	\$17,664.48	\$15,898.03
Benuel K. Zook	District	Rapho Twp.	Grassed Waterway and Roof Runoff Structure	\$7,089.33	\$6,380.40
Totals				\$24,753.81	\$22,278.43

5. Nutrient Management Certification Re-Classification & Exemption

Kevin Lutz requested approval on behalf of Emma Riebling to pursue changing her certification from Public Review to Public Dual Certified. Gordon Hoover moved to approve the request, seconded by Sonia Wasco after some discussion about staff development. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Watershed Committee Report

Amanda Goldsmith requested approval for the 6 projects listed below. Herb moved to approve as presented, seconded by Deryk Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

Landowner	Technician	Total Cost	Administrative Cost	Total Grant Requested
Ray Becker (Becker Farm)	Tyler Keefer, LCCD	\$232,676.00	\$3,750.00	\$75,000.00
Mark Beiler (M. Beiler Farm)	Tyler Keefer, LCCD	\$158,180.00	\$3,750.00	\$75,000.00
Christian Petersheim (Petersheim Farm)	Grace Chamberlain, LCCD	\$133,150.00	\$3,750.00	\$75,000.00
Caitlin Markham	Amanda Goldsmith, LCCD	\$140,950.00	\$3,750.00	\$75,000.00
Sam Miller (S. Miller Farm)	Grace Chamberlain, LCCD	\$95,000.00	\$3,750.00	\$75,000.00
Fred Ranck (Ranck Farm)	Grace Chamberlain, LCCD	\$159,100.00	\$3,750.00	\$75,000.00
Totals		\$919,056.00		\$450,000.00

7. E&S Committee Report/Enforcement Action

Eric Hout review the E&S Committee minutes. He requested approval to send Dutchland Realty Holding Corp. for their project 3321 Columbia Avenue to Enforcement for their pollution event and unresolved violations. Gordon Hoover moved to approve, seconded by Deryk Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

8. 2024 Audit Presentation

Stacey Hertz reported the 2024 audit is complete, and it has been filed as required to SCC/DEP. Herb Kreider moved to approve the audit, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Dirt & Gravel / Low Volume Road Program Amendment Request

Tyler Keefer requested approval to increase the funding for the Wendy Drive LVR project in Martic Township. This project was originally contracted for \$43,197.00 with the clause that once the PA state budget passed it would increase to \$56,100.00. The township requested an additional 12% increase to extend a waterway raising the project total to \$63,500. The SCC has already given approval due to the amendment coming to a total of 47% above what was previously approved. Gordon Hoover moved to approve as presented, seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

V. Reports & Information

1. Correspondence, News, and Updates

- Ag Banquet brochure

2. E&S/NPDES Monthly Projects Report

Adam Stern highlighted from the report the total plan submissions, referencing the 2024 project renewals for the higher total in 2024 than 2025 because of the PAG-02 renewal, and went over some of the projects received.

3. ExtraGive Update

Sallie Gregory reported that there were 50 donors this year, and raised \$9,737 for Youth Conservation School and Lancaster County Envirothons.

4. PACD Ag Plan Reimbursement Report

Chris Thompson highlighted the written report giving credit to Jason Reuter who has been leading this program.

5. PACD/SCC Winter Meeting Registration

Sonia Wasco highlighted the PACD committee meeting scheduling leading up to the winter meeting and encouraged directors to attend.

VI. Additional Public Comment:

None.

VII. Meeting Adjourned

Roger Rohrer adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morgan Regan".

Morgan Regan
E&S Administrative Support Specialist