

**Lancaster County Conservation District  
Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes  
January 21, 2026 at 1:00 PM  
Farm & Home Center, Room 111, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA**

Attendees: Board Members- Herb Kreider, Gordon Hoover, Robert Shearer, Dale Herr  
Staff- Kevin Lutz, Kent Bitting, Emma Riebling, Tristan Conrad

12:58 PM Meeting Called To Order

- 1) The Committee discussed the Board Agenda Item IV.6, the manure storage setback waiver request submitted by Noah W. Kreider & Sons LLP for a proposed manure storage at their Mount Joy facility within 62 feet of an existing well. The details of the project and the site visit results were discussed, as well as recommendations by the State Conservation Commission for positive action. No reasonable option to move the proposed storage location exists, and there is little risk of ground water pollution. A 2<sup>nd</sup> well located within the setback will be decommissioned. A motion was made by Gordon Hoover, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robert Shearer, that the committee recommend to the Board the approval of the waiver request with the addition of the two items suggested by the SCC. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2) The Committee inquired about the status of the Melissa Horn CAO horse operation and the SCC oversight of the farm. The Ag Program Manager will follow up with the SCC.

Meeting Adjourned 1:21 PM