

Lancaster County Conservation District
Agriculture Committee Meeting Minutes
April 1, 2026 at 6:30 PM
Farm & Home Center, Room 111, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA

Attendees: Board Members- Herb Kreider, Gordon Hoover, Robert Shearer, Dale Herr, Geoffrey Rohrer
Staff- Kevin Lutz, Kent Bitting, Chris Thompson

6:31 PM Meeting Called To Order

- 1) The Committee discussed the Board Agenda Item III.4, the manure storage setback waiver request submitted by Ammon Burkholder for a proposed manure storage replacement at his West Cocalico Township hog operation within 100 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 two old storages are being replaced with one new, better constructed one. A motion was made by Robert Shearer, and 2nd by Dale Herr, 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) Details about the status of ACAP applications and remaining funding were shared with the committee as an informational item. Gordon Hoover inquired if the District still plans to keep future ACAP funding in-house rather than opening to private consultant applications, as was previously presented.

Meeting Adjourned 6:50 PM