

**LANCASTER COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 3, 2026**

The 886th 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 June 3, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

The following Directors were present: Sonia Wasco, Chairperson; Gordon Hoover, Vice Chairman; Herb Kreider, Kent Weaver, Dale Herr, Commissioner Ray D’Agostino, and Deryk Shaw.

The following Associate Directors were present: Jennifer Engle, Lori Kier, Dan Zimmerman, and Kyle Solyak.

The following District Staff were present: Chris Thompson, Stacey Hertz, Kent Bitting, Adam Stern, Eric Hout, Matt Kofroth, Morgan Brough, Grace Chamberlain, Kevin Lutz (online), Sallie Gregory (online), Jordan Miller, and Isaac Carachilo.

The following Cooperating Agency representatives were present: Chas Heberlig, DEP Field Representative; Heather Grove (online), District Conservationist, NRCS-USDA.

The following visitors were present: None present.

Invocation: Matt Kofroth provided the invocation.

Introductions: None

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

Heather Grove stated there are no additions to the written report.

2. PA DEP Field Rep Report

Chas Heberlig highlighted the Watershed Specialist Contract renewal is due June 30th, Clean Water Academy trainings for Nutrient Management Plans, 2026 DEP Environmental Education Grant application period is August to November. Also, KEES updates regarding submitting amendments, renewal, NOT submissions/review were anticipated this summer, but has been pushed back to the fall. Lastly, he reminded directors that there are updates to the Chapter 102 delegation agreements to modernize and update.

II. Consent Agenda

Gordon Hoover moved to accept the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Deryk Shaw. The motion passed unanimously.

#1 – Minutes of May 6, 2026 Board meetings.

#2 – Technical Assistance Requests/Cancellations

#3 – Nutrient Management Plan Approvals

#4 – Conservation Plan Acknowledgment

Item II.2
Requests for Technical Assistance

APPLICANT	TITLE	TOWNSHIP	SIZE	ASSISTANCE
None				

Item II.3
Requests for Nutrient Management Plan Approval (Lutz)
May 2026 Activity
June 3, 2026 Board Meeting

To: The Lancaster County Conservation Board of Directors:

I respectfully submit these Nutrient Management Plans and/or Plan Amendments to the Review Committee and recommend they be approved by the Board. The plans are for the following operations:

OWNER	TOWNSHIP	OPERATION	DESIGNATION	AEU's/ ACRE	REVIEWER	PLAN #
David Breckbill	Strasburg	Layer	CAO	130.9	Brodbar	446
Ben Martin	West Cocalico	Broiler	CAO	198.41	Heigel	417
Brandon Reiff	Pequea	Broiler	CAO	7.82	Reuter	3221
John Smucker	Brecknock	Layer, Sheep	CAO	13.7	Heigel	445
Mel Martin	West Earl	Swine	CAO	77.67	Brodbar	434
Coby & Wayne King	Eden	Beef	CAO	5.61	Reuter	2157
Dustin Ginder	Mount Joy	Layer	CAFO/CAO	1070.46	Schavnis	38
William Burkholder	Ephrata	Pullet	CAO	17.16	Heigel	715
Max Brubaker	Rapho	Broiler	CAFO/CAO	544.66	Riebling	72
Jeffrey Martin	Earl	Sheep/Broiler	CAO	4.22	Wiest	2879
Dale Frank	West Donegal	Swine	CAFO/CAO	1.82	Schavnis	100

NMP Update Report to Lancaster County CD Board of Directors

Technician:

Date Range: Apr-26 May-26

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
Edwin Horning	Ephrata	4/30/2026	12/3/2025	Jeremy Newswanger	Broilers	166.64	CAO	5/5/2026	Simple Update

Item II.4
Acknowledgment of Conservation Plans (Lutz)
The Lancaster NRCS Field Office recommends the following plans for the
June 3, 2026 Board Meeting:
NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
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None			
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LCCD AG EROSION & SEDIMENTATION PLANS

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
Preston Newcomer	1	Emma Riebling	West Hempfield
John Stoltzfus	1	Lauren Brodbar	Earl
John Lantz	1	Josh Pullen	Upper Leacock

III. Additional Business

1. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

None.

2. Treasurer's Report

Stacey Hertz highlighted Fulton as of 5/28 the value was \$898,995.00, with a 19.9% gain. As of the day of the meeting it had a value of \$901,218.00, a 20.2% gain. Invest interest as of 5/28 was 3.76%, in the invest account there is \$15,107,193.00. Stacey highlighted the negative balance is due to the funds we got for the projects were from last year. Grant Project Income is down compared to the budget due to waiting on CAP funds. This report is filed subject to audit.

3. ACAP/CEG Project Approval

Kent Bitting requested approval for two projects, listed below. Dale Herr moved to approve the projects, seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

Landowner	District/Private Consultant	Municipality	BMPs	Total Project Cost	Total Grant Requested
Edwin Horning Jr.	District	Ephrata Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Heavy Use Area, Underground Outlet, Roof Runoff Structure	\$234,556.32	\$211,100.66
Darren Charles	District	Pequea Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Heavy Use Area, Underground Outlet, Roof Runoff Structure	\$208,260.99	\$187,434.89
Totals				\$442,817.31	\$398,535.55

4. Watershed Specialist Agreement

Matt Kofroth requested approval to renew the Watershed Specialist Contract. The contract is for a maximum of \$50,250.00, including a mini-education grant for \$5,000.00. Deryk Shaw moved to approve the contract as presented, seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Watershed Committee Report

Grace Chamberlain requested approval to apply for two grants, information for each grant is listed below. There were some questions regarding why these projects were chosen, and Grace stated that this helps to connect other projects in the area. Gordon Hoover moved to approve, seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

- The 319 grant application will be for two habitat restoration projects on Eshleman Run and Walnut Run in the Pequea Creek Watershed. The total request will be between \$300,000-\$350,000. The Eshleman Run Project, owned by Jacob Glick, includes a 2200' habitat restoration project with a 3.5-acre riparian buffer. This project will connect to a stream project completed in 2018 and another that was completed last summer. completed on Quarry this past

summer. The Walnut Run Project, owned by Fred Ranck, includes a 1,800' habitat restoration project with a 2.8-acre riparian buffer.

- The Growing Greener application will be for two habitat restoration projects – one on an UNT to Chiques Creek and another along Little Muddy Creek. The total request will be between \$300,000-\$320,000. The UNT to Chiques Creek Project, owned by Caitlin Morse, includes a 600' habitat restoration project with a challenging change in gradient from upstream to downstream. The Little Muddy Creek Project, owned by Steven Weaver, includes a 2,300' habitat restoration project with a 3.5-acre riparian buffer.

6. Personnel Committee Report

Dan Zimmerman circulated Jennifer Sparks resume and requested approval to hire Jennifer for the Finance Assistant position. Gordon Hoover moved to approve, seconded by Dale Herr. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Reports & Information

1. Correspondence, News, and Updates

- Donald Robinson memorial card
- Lititz Record Express – Warwick HS sweeps top spots at Lancaster County Envirothon
- Article about Sierra Club awards Green Grants
- Water Week Flyer – Schedule of Events

2. E&S/NPDES Monthly Projects Report

Adam Stern highlighted a call with DEP about their findings from the Chapter 102 evaluation, and anticipating a final report at the end of June. Eric Hout then highlighted numbers from the E&S reports.

3. Tree Sale Report

Matt Kofroth highlighted the report that was included in the BOD packet, making note of the top selling trees and perennials.

4. Envirothon Events Report

Sallie Gregory highlighted the written report.

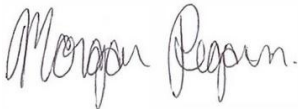
VI. Additional Public Comment:

None offered.

VII. Meeting Adjourned

Herb Kreider moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gordon Hoover. Sonia Wasco adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:29 PM.

Yours for a better environment,



Morgan Regan
E&S Administrative Support Specialist