

**LANCASTER COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 1, 2026**

The 887th 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 July 1, 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 (online), Lori Kier (online), Dan Zimmerman, Philip Dunn (online), and Kyle Solyak.

The following District Staff were present: Chris Thompson, Stacey Hertz, Kent Bitting, Eric Hout, Matt Kofroth, Morgan Brough, Kevin Lutz, Sallie Gregory, Laurel Marx, and Jennifer Sparks.

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: Herb Kreider provided the invocation.

Introductions: Sallie introduced the Summer Intern, Laurel Marx, and Stacey introduced the new Finance Assistant, Jennifer Sparks.

Additions to the Agenda: No Additions.

Morgan Brough 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 no additions to the written report.

2. PA DEP Field Rep Report

Chas Heberlig highlighted from his report that registration is now open for the PA Agency All AG Meeting and Annual ACAP Conference, the Watershed Administrative Training, Ag Progress Days, and to make sure to update Attachment B forms in Greenport when there are Board and staffing changes.

II. Consent Agenda

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

#1 – Minutes of June 3, 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)
June 2026 Activity
July 1, 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 #
John Hoover	Brecknock	Turkey	CAO	7.81	Heigel	713
Curvin Zimmerman	Earl	Layer	CAO	134.74	Heigel	2643
Daniel and Dwight Forry	West Hempfield	Swine, Heifer, Goats	CAFO/VAO	1.95	Riebling	411
Brandon Barry	West Cocalico	Layer	CAO	81.1	Heigel	2686
Stephen Martin & Andrew Rutt	Clay	Broiler	CAO	242.64	Riebling	244
Michael Musser	Clay	Pullet	CAO	11.92	Heigel	327
Elam K. King	West Earl	Heifers/Layers	CAO	10.6	Heigel	284
Jason Martin	Ephrata	Broiler	CAO	101.62	Schavnis	256
Louis Martin	East Earl	Broiler	CAO	12.48	Hartz	2633
Julian Martin	East Earl	Broiler/Rooster/Pullet	CAO	68.81	Hartz	15
Brad Byers	Drumore	Broiler	CAO	126.8	Adams	461
Mike Rohrer	Manor	Dairy	CAFO/CAO	3.6	Reuter	265
Steve Good	Strasburg	Broiler	CAFO/CAO	6.69	Brodbar	300
Curvin Nolt	Drumore	Broiler	CAO	36.09	Adams	49
Geoffrey Rohrer	Manor	Dairy/Broiler	CAFO/VAO	1.49	Reuter	52
David L. Lapp	Salisbury	Broiler	CAO	267.47	Brodbar	79
Paul Stoltzfus	Salisbury	Beef	CAO	3.12	Brodbar	804
Chris Hoover	East Drumore	Layer	CAO	21.47	Adams	966
Robert Barley	Manor	Dairy	CAFO/CAO	3518.23	Reuter	421

NMP Update Report to Lancaster County CD Board of Directors

Technician:

Date Range: May-26 June-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
Bacon Acres LLC & Providence Farms LLC	Martic	6/8/2026	8/6/2025	Devin Gerlach	Swine/Layers	675.13	CAO CAFO	6/22/2026	Simple Update

Item II.4

Acknowledgment of Conservation Plans (Lutz)

The Lancaster NRCS Field Office recommends the following plans for the

July 1, 2026 Board Meeting:

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
David C. Kazmerski	1	Heather Grove	West Hempfield
Shawn D. Mckenney	1	Mark Myers	Brecknock

LCCD AG EROSION & SEDIMENTATION PLANS

Conservation Plans	Number of Plans	Planner	Township
Delmar Weiler	1	Greg Heigel	East Earl
Mitch Stoltzfus	1	Lauren Brodbar	Sadsbury

III. Additional Business

1. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

None.

2. Treasurer's Report

Stacey Hertz highlighted from her report that Fulton Advisors is still at 19.9% gain. Invest interest rate is 3.75%, and in the Invest account there is currently \$17.2 million and \$199,000 in the Citizens account. The Citizens account is a little higher than normal since checks were to be cut the following day. Stacey also passed out a scope of work letter from SEK regarding the Audit. The report was filed subject to audit.

3. ACAP/CEG Project Approval

Kent Bitting requested approval for the 5 applications listed below. Dale Herr moved to approve the 5 projects as presented, seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

Landowner	District/Private Consultant	Municipality	BMPs	Total Project Cost	Total Grant Requested
Levi Stoltzfus	AET Consulting	Bart Twp.	Liquid Manure Storage, Heavy Use Area, Underground Outlet, Waste Transfer	\$152,600.00	\$138,600.00
Kenneth Martin	District	East Earl Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Heavy Use Area, Underground Outlet, Roof Runoff Structure	\$207,502.25	\$186,752.02
Jonathan M. Hess	District	Pequea Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Heavy Use Area, Underground Outlet, Roof Runoff Structure	\$154,000.00	\$138,600.00
Jay L. Hess	District	Conestoga Twp.	Roofed Stacking Shed, Heavy Use Area, Underground Outlet, Roof Runoff Structure	\$88,000.00	\$79,200.00
Harold W. Weik	District	Mount Joy Twp.	Fencing	\$11,333.33	\$10,200.00
Totals				\$613,435.58	\$553,352.02

4. Outstanding Cooperator Award

Kevin Lutz requested approval to award the Bill Hershey Farm with the 2027 Outstanding Cooperator Award. He also requested approval to award Jim Hershey the 2027 Soil Stewardship Award. Gordon Hoover moved to approve the nomination, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

5. CBP Technician & Engineer Funding Agreement

Kent Bitting requested approval to submit the CBP funding applications to DEP for processing and signatures. This agreement provides funding for the Ag Compliance and BMP design & build programs. Deryk Shaw moved to approve, seconded by Herb Kreider. The motion passed unanimously.

6. CDFAP ACT Agreement

Matt Kofroth requested approval to apply for the CDFAP ACT Agreement for a total of \$20,000, the funding will provide partial funding for the Ag Compliance position. Deryk Shaw moved to approve, seconded by Kent Weaver. The motion passed unanimously.

7. PACD Report

Sonia Wasco stated that the July Executive Council meeting hasn't happened yet since it falls on a Tuesday. Chris Thompson reviewed the May Meeting Minutes, showing that the Association's 2026 budget is still out of balance.

IV. Reports & Information

1. Correspondence, News, and Updates

- Invocation Sign-Up Sheet. Was circulated.
- Franklin County Conservation District – 70th Anniversary brochure.
- Clean Streams Fund announcement.
- Letter to Lancaster Legislators to add the \$25 million to go towards Agriculture programing.
- Data Center Toolkit from DCED.
- New PACD Director Handbook.

2. E&S/NPDES Monthly Projects Report

Eric Hout highlighted the submissions and fees received in June, stating that the fees received are on track with the budget. There was additional discussion regarding comments from DEP's review of the Chapter 102 program.

3. Water Week Report

Sallie Gregory highlighted the Virtual Author Visit with Rosalie Haizlett about her book *Tiny Worlds of the Appalachian Mountains: An Artist's Journey*. There were people all over the country that joined in and were able to learn about the Lancaster County Conservation District.

4. Youth Conservation School Update

Sallie reported that there are 18 students planning to attend the Youth Conservation School. The sponsorship dinner is on Wednesday, July 22. The board was invited to join the students and sponsors at the dinner.

5. Summer Intern Presentation

Laurel Marx presented an overview of her experience at the District over the summer assisting the Watershed and Education programs.

6. OLNI

Sallie highlighted the many funding sources that make this possible such as the Arconic Foundation, PA Department of Environmental Protection, Lancaster County Ag Council, and Sierra Club Lancaster. There were 27 teachers in attendance, and some of the pictures, handouts, and books from OLNI were available for viewing. Sallie also highlighted some of the items and lessons that were discussed during the three-day event.

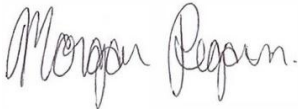
VI. Additional Public Comment:

None offered.

VII. Meeting Adjourned

Dale Herr moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Deryk Shaw. Sonia Wasco adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:30 PM.

Yours for a better environment,

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

Morgan Regan
E&S Administrative Support Specialist