

**Minutes of The Wayne County Soil & Water  
Conservation District Board Of Directors**

**Special Meeting January 13, 2017  
Conservation Offices  
10 Leach Road Lyons NY 14489**

**Directors:**

Laurie Crane  
Steve Olson  
Monica Deyo  
Pat VanLare

**Staff:**

Lindsey Gerstenslager  
Cathy Comfort  
Ron Thorn

**Absent:**

Mark Humbert

**Call to order @ 10:00 am**

**A MOTION** was made to suspend the orders of the day by L. Crane seconded by M. Deyo.

**Business**

Medical Insurance-

- L. Gerstenslager explained to the Board the different plans included in the handout. These plans were previously discussed with the employees and it was agreed that the Simply Blue Gold 6 offered the best benefit at the best rate.

**A MOTION** was made to secure medical insurance with Excellus BC/BS, plan Simply Blue Gold 6, for the 2017 insurance plan year by L. Crane seconded by P. VanLare; carried.

Board of Directors Training Plans-

- L. Gerstenslager explained to the Board how she would like to accomplish their training plans for the upcoming year and reviewed the Performance Measure Evaluation Worksheet with them. L. Gerstenslager further explained the different committees and opportunities that will have the most impact to meet these measures.

Water Quality Symposium-

- L. Gerstenslager reviewed the classes and CDEA meeting with the Board and explained that this could also have an impact on their training plans. L. Gerstenslager advised the Board that if they have interest in any classes or events please advise her as soon as possible she will review this again at the regular Board meeting on Wednesday.

Update on Grant Opportunities: Cathy Comfort, LGRMIF-

- C. Comfort updated the Board on a grant opportunity that she is writing for the storage of the District's inactive records. C. Comfort explained that this is for the undertaking of a first time inventory and will open the opportunities for future grants.

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NY Conservation District Association-

- L. Gerstenslager informed the Board that NYACD Lobby Days will be March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. L. Gerstenslager also informed the Board that she is having some leadership concerns with NYACD and how the association is handling budgets, finances, lobbying and allowing non-members to hold office. The Board was in agreement that this is a concern and requested that L. Gerstenslager invite S. Casella from Ontario County SWCD Board (also NYACD at-large member) to come and speak at a meeting.

**A MOTION** was made to adjourn at 11:10 am by L. Crane seconded by M. Deyo; carried.

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 18, 2017 at 8:30 am.