

**MINUTES**

Genesee County Soil & Water Conservation District  
USDA Batavia Service Center  
Regular Board Meeting March 05,2024

Present:

Christian Yunker, Vice Chair,

R.Stein, Legislature Chair

James Kingston, Farm Bureau

M.Ethington, Member At Large

Heath Eisele, District Conservationist, NRCS

Jared Elliott, Senior Field Manager

Laura Bestehorn, District Secretary/Treasurer

Rebecca Olsen, Conservation Technician

Victor DiGiacomo, NYSSWCC

Jamie Krenzer, NRCS Pathways Intern

**I. Call to Order**

8:32am C.Yunker called the meeting to order.

**II. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

A motion was made to accept minutes from the

February 13th,2024 meeting by J.Kingston, 2<sup>nd</sup> R.Stein **Approved.**

M.Ethington entered at 8:45am

**III. Open Projects and Staff Reports**

Open Projects and Staff reports (Appendix A,B,C,D)

Open Projects and staff reports were reviewed.

**A. Bank Statements Approval**

A motion was made to approve bank statements for February 2024

by R.Stein, 2<sup>nd</sup> J.Kingston **Approved.**

**B. Treasurer's Reports** (Appendix E)

A motion was made to approve Treasurer Reports as presented

by R.Stein, 2<sup>nd</sup> M.Ethinton **Approved.**

**C. Abstract Approval** (Appendix F)

A motion was made to approve donating \$1,000 to the 2024 Kinderfarmin' event  
by J.Kingston,2<sup>nd</sup> M.Ethington **Approved.**

A motion to approve the March abstract with the addition of the Kinderfarmin' event  
donation was made by R.Stein, 2<sup>nd</sup> M.Ethington **Approved.**

**V. Unfinished Business**

**A. AEM 18 projects Resolution**

A motion to approve AEM Resolution 05-2024 was made

by M.Ethington, 2<sup>nd</sup> J.Kingston **Approved.**

**B. Logo Update**

It was decided to keep the current logo and maybe do a relook in the future.

**VI. New Business**

**A. NYACD Division Meeting@ BW's in Pavilion -March 26**

A motion was made to pay for director's dinners at the director division meeting  
by R.Stein, 2<sup>nd</sup> M.Ethington. (Appendix G)

**B. Savings Account for AEM 18**

A motion was made to approve opening a new savings account for AEM 18 grant was made by J.Kingston 2<sup>nd</sup> M.Ethington **Approved.**

**VII. Reports**

**A. NYSSWCC:** V.DiGiacomo – report attached(Appendix H)

**B. NRCS-H.Eisele-** report attached(Appendix I)

**C. FISH & WILDLIFE-** C.Yunker – C.Yunker said a meeting was being held later in the week.

**D. COUNTY LEGISLATURE:** - R.Stein,C.Yunker

R.Stein said interviews were being held for the President position at GCC. She said C.Yunker has done a great job overseeing the jail project and a walk through will be happening very soon and encouraged staff to come see the new jail. R.Stein reminded everyone March is ag month and about the Celebrate Agricultural dinner.

**E. Vice Chair:** C.Yunker- C.Yunker told everyone nice job.

**VIII. Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday April 09,2024**

**Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 9:30am by M.Ethington 2<sup>nd</sup> by R.Stein **Approved.**

Recording Secretary: Laura Bestehorn

Minutes are not official until approved at the April 09<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Attachments: Appendices A-I