

**MINUTES OF GARRETT SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SUPERVISORS' MEETING**

January 15, 2019

District Office

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman George Bishoff. With only one other supervisor, Smokey Stanton, in attendance no official business was transacted. Also in attendance were Cameron Crawford, Carrie Colebank, Chad Bucklew, and Shaun Sanders.

The following report of state funds for the month of December 2018 was presented for informational purposes only.

Balance – December 1, 2018	\$4,328.838
Receipts – December 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018.....	0.00
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	\$ 4,328.86
Expenditures – December 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018.....	171.87
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Balance – December 31, 2018	\$ 4,156.99

Election of offices for calendar year 2019 was postponed till a quorum was present.

Shaun read a letter from Craig Neilson in follow up to his 11/5/18 phone call. Craig said he must defer to MDEs position on the question of ownership and referenced a 1956 agreement with U.S Department of Agriculture where the District agreed to maintain the dams.

Shaun reported that the District had not received a reply from NRCS state office concerning the Districts 10/3/18 letter to Allan Stahl. Allan called Shaun on the phone and indicated he and other state office personnel were planning to meet with NRCS national headquarters staff (Steve Durgin) to discuss the MDE directive from Scott Bass dated 9/5/18. However, Allan is retiring at the end of December and nothing in writing has been received. Shaun will initiate contact with the acting state engineer.

Shaun gave an update concerning the Districts attempts to contact the land owner (William Meagher) adjacent to No. 2 Dam. No response was received to the email sent on November 29, 2018 so a certified letter was sent on 1/7/19. To date, the receipt has not been returned to confirm delivery of the letter. It was decided to allow some more time before taking further action at this point.

Smokey suggested that the States Attorney and the County Attorney be contacted to inquire if they would represent the District in enforcing the easements on the PL-566 dams. Shaun expressed his belief that this issue is not something that would come under the purview of either office but he would follow up.

Discussion took place concerning the No-Till Drill account and the FUNB Value Money Market Account. George and Smokey agreed the District should transfer \$50,000.00 from the existing