

Garrett Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors Meeting
Garrett Soil Conservation District Conference Room - May 18, 2026

Participants

- Kristen Enlow, Chair
- Dorsey Guard, Vice Chair
- Butch Helbig, Board Treasurer
- Patrick Sines, Board Member
- Nevin Sines, Board Member
- Kevin Corbin, Associate Board Member
- Seth Metheny, District Manager (DM)
- Chad Bucklew, District Conservationist (DC)
- Jeannie Frazee, Administrative Specialist

Certification of Quorum and Call to Order

Kristen Enlow certified a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. All Board members were present for the meeting.

Approval/Correction of April 21, 2026 Minutes

Patrick Sines made a motion to accept the April 21, 2026, minutes. Dorsey Guard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Butch, Kristen and Seth met on May 14 to go over the Treasurer's Report.

Seth suggested putting carryover from the General Fund and CBTF accounts into a Money Market account at Truist. Dorsey Guard made a motion to open a Money Market account at Truist and move all the carryover from the General Fund and the CBTF to that account. Patrick Sines seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

FY27 Budget Proposal

Patrick Sines made a motion to accept the proposed budget as the FY27 District budget. Nevin Sines seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

District Manager's Report

E&S Third Party Reviewer

The Board does not want to sign with anyone who wants a fee regardless of whether they have work to do. JMT states that they understand the work would be on an as-needed basis. Seth is to reach out to them to get clarity about their commitment expectations and payment policy.

MASCD Annual Meeting

The District has funding to send 2 to 3 members to the meeting, covering mileage, hotel, meals that are included with registration and registration. Board members were asked to let Seth or Jeannie know if they would like to attend.

Dam Assessment Report

The District received Dam Assessment Reports from the USDA for the three PL-566 flood control dams that the District had previously sponsored. There will likely be a tour of the dams with NRCS and local governments soon to develop a resolution.

Grant Fund Requests

Northern FFA is requesting funding for students to attend the State FFA Convention. Butch Helbig made a motion to use Sustain Our Future Grant funds to register for the Northern FFA members to attend the State FFA Convention at a cost of \$3260.00 if it is an expense that is approved by the grant sponsor. Dorsey Guard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Seth is to see if Oakland FFA would also need to be registered for the State FFA Convention.

District Conservationist Report

The NRCS staff is also working on implementing previous years' contracts. Chad will attend a meeting in Annapolis next week to brainstorm about the efficiency of NRCS and how to create a better repour with landowners.

There has been some interest from building owners regarding the lease. The request for bids has been extended to July 1.

New Business

Activity Report

The District is working with producers on many projects. Staff participated in an Envirothon training on April 14. The Fruit Tree and Bush sale distribution was April 15-17, with all staff engaged. District staff also participated in the Envirothon competition on April 21.

Scholarships

There were 8 completed applications. Kristen Enlow reclused herself from the discussion. The Board selected Charlie McCrobe and Cristy Enlow as the scholarship winners.

Old Business

Elections

Kristen Enlow requested that the Board conduct elections of officers. Patrick Sines nominated Kristen Enlow to continue as Board President and Butch Helbig to continue as Treasurer. The vote was unanimous.

Nevin Sines nominated Dorsey Guard to be the Board Vice-Chairman. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 pm.