

**Mountain Castles Soil and Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
November 8, 2023 – Craig County Courthouse**

Jeff Henderson called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 7:15 p.m.

Directors Present: Jeff Henderson, Chair, Botetourt (elected)
Preston Wickline, Vice Chair, Botetourt (elected)
Andrew Keffer, Craig (elected)
Jason Williams, Craig (elected)
Walter Nelson, Botetourt (appointed)

Absent: Michael Beahm, Treasurer (Associate Director)
Jeff Munsey (Associate Director)

Staff Present: Dan Naff
Tim Miller

Others Present: Derek Hancock, NRCS
Denny McCarthy, VA DOF

Minutes:

October board meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Preston to approve, second by Walter, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was reviewed, which included the balance sheet and profit and loss report. Preston moved to approve the treasurer's report, second by Andrew, motion carried.

Other Business

No voting matters were presented. The board discussed updates to the district's Four Year Strategic Plan, plans for a winter district banquet, and plans for co-hosting the 2024 Area I Envirothon at McCormick Farm.

319 Contracts

No 319 contracts were presented this month.

VACS Contracts

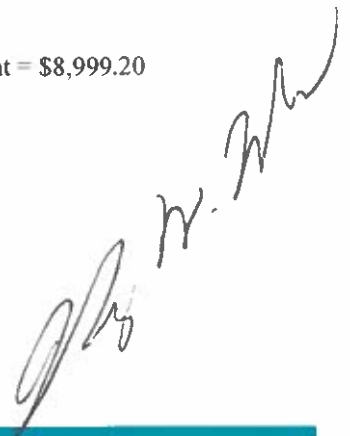
Dan requested approval of the following VACS contracts (report attached):

- #45-24-0012; Instance #578115; SL-6W; 2024 CB VACS; max CS amount = \$32,920

Andrew moved to approve, second by Jason, motion carried.

Cover crop contracts:

- #45-24-0027; Instance #576685; SL-8H; 2024 CB and 2024 OCB VACS; max CS amount = \$8,999.20
- #45-24-0031; Instance #579809; SL-8H; 2024 CB VACS; max CS amount = \$910.40
- #45-24-0032; Instance #579817; SL-8B; 2024 CB VACS; max CS amount = \$13,887.00
- #45-24-0033; Instance #580823; SL-8H; 2024 CB VACS; max CS amount = \$2,520.00
- #45-24-0034; Instance #580860; SL-8H; 2024 CB VACS; max CS amount = \$424.60
Instance #580859; SL-8B; 2024 CB VACS; max CS amount = \$1,432.60



Motion to approve all cover crop contracts by Preston, second by Walter, motion carried.

Conservation Technician Report: see attached

District Coordinator Report: see attached

Agency Reports:

- DCR - submitted by Angela Ball – see attached
- VCE - no report
- VDOF – Denny gave agency updates, including updates on wildfires
- NRCS - submitted by Derek Hancock – see attached
- FSA - no report

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 by a motion from Walter, second by Andrew.

Submitted by Tim Miller