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June 17, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: The public meeting was called to order by Chairman Andrew Kimmel at 7:00 pm.

PRESENT: Those present were: Directors Andrew Kimmel, Michelle Hickman, Jay Hogg, Denny Hawley, and Mike Daquilante (via zoom). Associate Directors Rocco Ali and Troy Goldstrohm; NRCS DC Dennis DiOrio; DEP Field Rep Kaine Diehl, and ACD District Manager Holly Laird.

PUBLIC COMMENT on AGENDA ITEMS: None

MINUTES: Dennis Hawley moved, with Mike Daquilante seconding the approval of the May 20, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Michelle Hickman moved, with Dennis Hawley seconding the approval of the Treasurer's report as presented, that the outstanding bills be paid, and that the treasurer's report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Armsdale Update** – Holly informed the Board that the HVAC repairman had been out to look at an AC unit.
- b. **Agricultural Education Center Update** – Holly informed the Board that Attorney Ty Heller is reviewing the contracts and USDA will conduct one final review before scheduling a pre-construction meeting.
 - i. **Groundbreaking ceremony** – The groundbreaking ceremony to be held on June 24th was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Elderton State Bank – Line of Credit for Ag. Ed. Center Construction** – Michelle Hickman moved, seconded by Denny Hawley to take out a temporary line of credit for \$750,000.00 from Elderton State Bank for construction expenses associated with the Agricultural Education Center. Motion carried.
- b. **2026 Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence** – Denny Hawley moved, seconded by Mike Daquilante to pay for any expenses associated with staff and Board members attending the awards ceremony for the Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence. Motion carried.
- c. **2026/2027 Watershed Specialist Agreement** – Denny Hawley moved, seconded by Jay Hogg to submit ACD's renewal request for the Watershed Specialist Position and include the \$5,000.00 mini-grant. Motion carried.
- d. **2026/2027 ACT Application and Delegation Agreement** – Michelle Hickman moved, seconded by Mike Daquilante to submit the CDFAP ACT Application for \$20,000.00 for the 2026/2027 fiscal year. Motion carried.

- e. **2026/2027 Nutrient Management Delegation Agreement** – Jay Hogg moved, seconded by Denny Hawley to continue the Nutrient Management Delegation Agreement in the amount of \$40,000.00 for the 2026/2027 fiscal year. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS: Holly informed the Board of the PRISM workshop for invasive species identification on 6/23.

AGENCY REPORTS: Agency/staff activity reports were mailed/emailed to the Board. Kaine Diehl expanded upon the DEP Talking Report.

COOPERATOR AGREEMENTS – The cooperator agreements were presented to the Board. Denny Hawley moved, seconded by Michelle Hickman to approve the agreements. Motion carried.

- Maple Ridge Farm, LLC (Kiski Township)
 - o 40 acres, beef and poultry operation, interested in Stormwater management, streambank stabilization, EQIP, grazing plan, and ACAP
- Antonio Magagnotti (Redbank Township)
 - o 79 acres, interested in surface water control, conservation plan, and grazing plan.

E&S CONTROL PLAN REVIEWS: The E&S control plans were presented to the Board. Michelle Hickman moved, with Jay Hogg seconding the approval of the plans as their status indicates. Motion carried.

Erosion and Sediment Plans June 2026 Meeting					
<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Twp.</u>	<u>Comments:</u>	<u>Rev. By</u>	<u>Status</u>
8/1/2025	Piney-Seward and Erie South-Piney 115kV Transmission Line Project	Redbank	PAD830002	KR	In Progress
11/5/2025	LN-19 Replacment Project	Kiskiminetas & Burrell	ESG83002500-00	KR	Issued
12/5/2025	CM 30299 HP-101 & HP-200	Sugarcreek	PAD030009	KR	Issued
1/22/2026	Anderson Creek Road	Valley	ESG000326001-00	KR	Issued
2/12/2026	Apollo Maintenace Pad	Kiskiminetas	PAC030065	KR	Issued
2/18/2026	Rural Valley to Valley Gate Project	Cowanshannock & Valley	ESG830326001-00	KR	In Progress
3/12/2026	PM21 (Brady + 268) Pipeline Replacement Project	Sugarcreek	PAD030010	KR	In Progress
3/20/2026	KP-1 Creek Crossing Replacement Project	South Bend	ESG830326002-00	KR	In Progress
4/7/2026	Adrian Road Water Line Extension	East Franklin	PAC030066	KR	Issued
4/23/2026	New Armstrong County Maintenance Facility	Manor	PAC030037, A-1	KR	Issued

NM PLAN REVIEWS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None

NEXT MEETING: The Chairman announced that the next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at 7:00 pm on July 15, 2026 at 124 Armsdale Road, Kittanning, PA 16201.

ADJOURNMENT: Hearing no further business to come before the board, Andrew Kimmel declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Holly A. Laird
District Manager
Armstrong Conservation District*