



CHENANGO COUNTY
SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting
2/19/2026 1:00 PM

Board Members Present:

John Lawrence Legislative Rep
Joseph Henninge Member at Large
Jim Jenne Grange Rep

Board Member Absent:

Terry Ives Chenango Farm Bureau
Vacant Legislative Rep

Agency Staff & Partners Present:

Katy Kemmeren CCSWCD
Jennifer Kelly CCSWCD
William Kelsey CCSWCD
Riley Krupitza CCSWCD
Sue McIntyre Guest

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes from January were approved as presented. — Joe moved to approve, and Jim seconded the motion. There were three votes in favor and two absent. Motion passed.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS: The bills were presented and approved as presented. Joe seconded the motion. Three members were in favor, and two were absent. The motion was approved. Jim made a motion to accept the bills as presented. Joe seconded it. Three members were in favor, and two were absent. The motion carried.

REPORTS:

NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC)

Paul Romanako was absent, and no report was submitted.

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE-Chenango)

Craig Brown was absent, but Jen reported that CO2 sensors have been placed in all USDA spaces and hallways due to a boiler misfire earlier this month.

Soil and Water Conservation Committee (SWCC)

Scott Fickbohm shared the SWCC monthly report digitally (Attachment A).

Farm Service Agency (USDA-FSA)

Brian Sheridan was absent, and no report was submitted.

Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS)

Eric Fisher was absent and is currently on a field visit with Senator Josh Riley at a farm in Oxford.

Chenango County Soil and Water Conservation District (CCSWCD)

Jennifer submitted a written report (Attachment B).

Upper Susquehanna Coalition (USC)

Jennifer submitted a written report (Attachment C).

Fish and Wildlife Management Board (FWMB)

Will attended the meeting last night. The report is Attachment D.

Water Quality Coordinating Committee (WQCC)

No updates to share.

Environmental Management Committee (EMC)

Sue reported that the committee met on February 6th. They plan to work with Colgate Students this summer. They also plan to develop a land bank in the County to reduce the number of tax-delinquent vacant homes.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

NYACD Annual Due- Joe moves to pay \$1,500 for 2026 dues to NYACD. Jim seconds the motion. Motion passes. 3 aye, 0-nay, 2-absent.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katy Kemmeren

Recording Secretary/Treasurer