



CLINTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT

2343 N. US-27, St. Johns, MI. 48879
Phone: (989) 224-3720, Ext. 5
Email: info@clintonconservation.org
www.clintonconservation.org

MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Tuesday, July 15, 2025, 9:00am, Clinton Conservation District Board Room 2343 North
US-27 St. Johns MI 48879

Directors Present:

Gary Boersen, Treasurer
Brittany Johnson, Trustee
Andrea Polverento, Chair

Staff Present:

Kurt Wolf
Natalie Myszak
Cameron Thornton
Cheyanne Bartholomew
Adelyn Geissel (virtual)

Others Present:

Jack Knorek, MDARD Reginal Coordinator

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by A. Polverento at 9:03AM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – *B. Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. G. Boersen supported the motion. Motion carried.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Meeting Minutes, June 2025 – **ACTION ITEM** – *G. Boersen made a motion to approve the June 2025 meeting minutes as presented. B. Johnson supported the motion. Motion carried.*

FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Statement for June, June Transactions; Check Detail and Credit Card Detail (paid) – **ACTION ITEM**
2. Balance Sheet, Profit and Loss Statements; July and YTD, July Transactions; Check Detail and Credit Card Detail (paid) – **ACTION ITEM** – *B. Johnson made a motion to approve Financial Reports 1. and 2. as presented. G. Boersen supported the motion. Motion carried.*

OTHER AGENCY – *Jack Knorek provided an update on MAEAP verifiers. July will be the last month that verifiers will be acting for SE Reginal Coordinators and will resume verification site visits as usual.*

G. Boersen asked where MDARD was with FY26 grant agreements and if Districts need to prepare for any budget changes as we prepare our annual appropriations. J. Knorek informed the Board that we should budget as usual in anticipation that the grants will remain the same. J. Knorek informed the Board that MACD has taken a proactive approach

and given MDARD recommendations to increase pesticide license fees. This would increase funding by roughly 4 million.

A. Polverento asked why there were issues with transparency between MDARD leadership, staff, and legislature. J. Knorek was unable to answer the question directly as it is still being discussed at higher levels. J. Knorek informed the Board that MDARD is still making forward progress with Regenerative Ag and the common goal is still soil health.

STAFF REPORTS – NRCS and District Staff provided written and verbal reports.

MACD UPDATE – *G. Boersen informed the board that MACD Region 7 meeting is coming up soon on August 7th. Board members should attend if available. There will be additional Director resources available starting with a Director training workshop in Jackson this fall and trainings available at the December MACD Conference in Bellaire.*

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fall Native Plant Sale – *K. Wolf informed the Board the Rebekah Faivor registered for a booth at DeWitt Farmers Market Sept 23rd. K. Wolf has booked Motz Park pavilion for a native plant workshop on August 20th.*
2. NRCS Local Work Group – *K. Wolf presented NRCS Local Work Group bulletin and proposed we hold a meeting immediately following our August Board Meeting at 10:30am. A legal ad will be placed in the local newspaper along with social media to invite Clinton County Residence.*
3. FY25 Appropriations Amendment – *K. Wolf presented the amendments to FY25 Appropriation. A. Polverento made a motion the Board of Directors adopt resolution to amend Clinton Conservation District FY25 Appropriation as presented. B. Johnson supported the motion. Rollcall vote: A. Polverento – yea, B. Johnson – yea, G. Boersen – yea, J. Kiel – absent, J. Schulz – absent. Motion carried.*
4. FY26 Budget Draft – *K. Wolf presented the draft FY26 Appropriations. A. Polverento would like further information on “Interest & Rent” line item. K. Wolf will speak with our Auditor to find out why the amount is static.*
5. MSUFCU Business Account Resolution – *A. Polverento made a motion to adopt MSUFCU Business Account Resolution to remove Elaine M. Brown Bartholic and add Gary Boersen as an authorized signer with full access. B. Johnson supported the motion. Rollcall vote: A. Polverento – yea, B. Johnson – yea, G. Boersen – yea, J. Kiel – absent, J. Schulz – absent. Motion carried.*

OLD BUSINESS - None

CORRESPONDENCE

Rathmourne Land CO, LLC PA116 – Dallas Township Sec 5 – *No action taken*

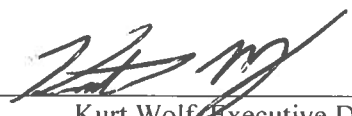
PUBLIC COMMENT - *B. Johnson informed the Board that she met with State Representative Emily Dievendorf in St. Johns on June 20. Rep Dievendorf would like to do a fall meet up with Clinton Conservation District. K. Wolf recommended that Eaton Conservation District be invited as they are the primary coverage area for her district.*

A. Polverento gave a brief update on Farm Bureau policies that are being considered. Farm Bureau is looking to support outreach to road commission for local roads and ditches. Look into regulatory permitting proposed by EGLE. PA116 integration with conservation easements.

NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, August 19th, 2025, 9:00am, Clinton Conservation District Board Room 2343 North US-27 St. Johns MI 48879

ADJOURNMENT - *A. Polverento made a motion to adjourn. B. Johnson supported the motion. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM.*

Respectfully Submitted: _____


Kurt Wolf, Executive Director

Approved Date: _____

8/19/25

Signature: _____



Title: _____

Chair

