

**MINUTES**

Genesee County Soil & Water Conservation District  
USDA Batavia Service Center  
Regular Board Meeting September 09, 2025

Present:

Dennis Phelps, Chair	Jared Elliott, Senior Field Manager
Christian Yunker, Vice Chair	Laura Bestehorn, District Secretary/Treasurer
James Kingston, Farm Bureau Rep	Victor DiGiacomo, AEA NYSSWCC
Marirose Ethington, At Large Member	
Brooks Hawley, Legislature	

**I. Call to Order**

8:30am D.Phelps called the meeting to order.

**II. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

A motion was made to accept minutes from the August 12, 2025 meeting by J.Kingston, 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Hawley **Approved**.

**III. Open Projects and Staff Reports**

A. Open Projects and Staff reports (Appendix A,B,C,D,E)

**IV. Financial Reports**

**A. Bank Statements Approval**

A motion was made to approve bank statements from August 2025 by C.Yunker, 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Hawley **Approved**. L.Bestehorn noted closing of NYClass account.

**B. Treasurer's Reports** (Appendix F)

A motion was made to approve Treasurer's Report as presented by J.Kingston, 2<sup>nd</sup> C.Yunker **Approved**.

**C. Abstract Approval** (Appendix G)

A motion was made to approve abstract #8 as presented by C.Yunker , 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Hawley **Approved**.

**V. Unfinished Business**

A. Nothing at this time.

**VI. New Business**

**A. Resolution 12-2025 Deferred Compensation** (Appendix H)

A motion was made to approve Resolution 12-2025 NYS Deferred Compensation by M.Ethington, 2<sup>nd</sup> B.Hawley **Approved**.

**B. FLOWPA Purchases**

A motion was made to approve purchase of Hach Flow Meter at \$4,780.00 and a YSI Turbidity Sensor \$833.00, Conductivity Sensor \$1,309.00 plus shipping to replace

old /non-working equipment using remaining funds from Supplies &Equipment from FLOWPA 33 and the rest from FLOWPA 34 by C.Yunker, 2<sup>nd</sup> M.Ethington **Approved.**

**C. Preliminary 2026 Budget**

J.Elliott reviewed preliminary budget for input from Board Members.

**D. November Meeting Date**

The November meeting date was changed to November 4<sup>th</sup> due to regular meeting falling on a federal holiday.

**VII. Reports**

**A. NYSSWCC:** V.DiGiacomo – Report attached. (Appendix I)

**B. NRCS:** H.Eisele- Unable to attend.

**C. FSA:** A.Patterson- Unable to attend.

**D. COUNTY LEGISLATURE:** - C. Yunker, B.Hawley

C.Yunker said the legislature is working on the new budget.

**E. CHAIRMAN:** - D.Phelps

D. Phelps thanked everyone.

**VIII. Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 9:30am

by J.Kingston 2<sup>nd</sup> by M.Ethington **Approved.**

Minutes are not official until approved at the November 4th, 2025 meeting.

Attachments: Appendices A- I

Recording Secretary: Laura Bestehorn

Chair: Dennis Phelps                      Approved \_\_\_\_