



New York State Conservation District Employees' Association, Inc.

MEETING AGENDA

November 27, 2023 • 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

November 28, 2023 • 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Join in person

Town of Hurley Town Hall
10 Wamsley Pl, Hurley, NY 12443

Join Zoom Meeting

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- I. Call to order
- II. Introductions
- III. Reading and approval of the September 6 – 7, September 15, October 18, October 31 meeting minutes (motion)
- IV. Treasurer's report (Katy Kemmeren, motion)
 - Purchase laptop (motion)
- V. Remembering Kevin Lewis
- VI. Partnership reports
 - a. New York State Soil and Water Conservation Committee (Bethany Bzduch)
 - b. New York Association of Conservation Districts (Blanche Hurlbutt)
 - c. Natural Resources Conservation Service (Blake Glover)
 - d. Division Representative reports
- VII. Executive Committee reports (President, Vice President, Secretary, and Member at Large)
- VIII. Standing Committees
 - a. Accept 2023 - 24 CDEA Committees and Appointments (motion)
 - b. Municipal Assistance Sub Committee (Bethany Bzduch)
 - c. Technical Advisory Committee (Bethany Bzduch)
 - d. Operations Manual Committee (Bethany Bzduch)
 - e. New York State Fair Committee (Kristin White)
 - f. NYS DEC Endorsed 4-Hour Erosion & Sediment Control Online Training (Kristin White)
 - g. NYS Erosion and Sediment Control Certificate Program (Jessica Verrigni)
 - h. Conservation Skills Workshop (Tom Eskildsen)
 - i. Administrative Conference (Dustin Lewis)
 - j. Northeast Association of Conservation District Employees (Jeff Parker)
 - k. National Association of Conservation Districts (Velynda Parker)
 - l. Frank Bratt Scholarship (Rebecca Campbell)
 - Approve application(s) (motion)
 - m. Water Quality Symposium (Jessica McLaughlin)
 - n. New York State and NCF Envirothon Committee (Katy Kemmeren)
 - o. Environmental Education Foundation Committee (Joann Burke)

- p. New York State Invasive Species Advisory Committee (Caitlin Stewart)
- q. Recruitment and Retention Committee (Caitlin Stewart)
- r. Leadership Institute (place holder until 2027)
- IX. CDEA activities
 - a. Preliminary 2024 CDEA budget discussion (all)
 - b. Ag Value Assessments (Rebecca Campbell)
 - c. Climate Smart Commodities / CPA-52 / Draft CRF Round 8 discussion (Jason Cuddeback)
 - d. DEC Permitting (Shawn Murphy)
 - e. Bond Act (Caitlin Stewart)
 - f. Fertilizer tablet discussion (Corrina Aldrich)
 - g. 4-hour Fund application review and approval (motion)
 - Review and update policy (motion)
 - h. CDEA By-Laws update (Caitlin Stewart, Jessica McLaughlin, Shawn Murphy)
 - i. Management Development Certification Program – update to guidelines (Caitlin Stewart)
 - j. Ronnie Raindrop (Caitlin Stewart)
 - k. Fish On Challenge (Katie WhitKovits)
 - l. 2 Hour NYS DEC MS4 inspector training program for Districts - No movement until new MS4 permit is issued
- X. Other (all)
- XI. Correspondence
- XII. Next Meeting – TBD, January 2024, Double Tree Hotel, Syracuse
- XIII. Adjournment