



ERIE COUNTY ASC COMMITTEE  
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REGULAR SESSION

The Erie County ASC Committee met on Wednesday, September 14, 1988, at 10:00 a.m. at the Agricultural Service Center, Waterford, PA. Present were:

- Carl Beckman, Chairperson
- J. Edward May, Vice Chairperson
- E. Leslie Brace, Regular Member
- Joseph Burawa, County Executive Director
- Lewis Steckler, District Conservationist, SCS
- Thomas Dauson, Field Assistant
- Carroll Lesik, COT

1. MINUTES

The minutes of the August 3, 1988, meeting were read and approved as corrected; the start time should have read 9 a.m. instead of 10 a.m. Also, in item 9 County Committee delete "for the ag. tour."

2. ADMINISTRATIVE

A. Pay Period Documents

County Committee reviewed and approved ASCS-134 Time and Attendance documents.

B. Quad Weekly Report

County Committee reviewed and approved PA-120 Quad Weekly Reports for Pay Period #13 and #14, and #15 and #16.

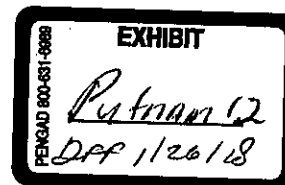
C. Within Grade Increase

County Committee noted a finding of satisfactory service for Thelma Marie Lewis, for a within grade increase.

D. Staffing

County Committee noted that Tom Dauson is working as Field Assistant, doing appraisals and bin measurements.

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Eileen McGahan, a former employee, is starting on Monday, September 12, 1988, five days per week, through October 30, 1988.

E. Payment Limitation

County Committee reviewed the agenda and made travel arrangements for the Payment Limitation meeting on September 15-16, 1988.

F. COT Report

Carroll Lesik, COT, reported on her training progress and will be happy to return to western Pennsylvania. Training is going well; she reported on activities in the county offices where training has been held.

3. CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

A. Review of Programs

County Committee noted follow-up for 1988 payments for ACP are being made; reconciliations are being made in programs.

B. Requests for Cost Shares

County Committee reviewed and approved ACP-245 Requests for Cost Shares as noted on the form.

C. Conservation Reserve Program

County Committee reviewed seventh period CRP bids and accepted the 6 bids received. The bid was \$65.00.

D. ~~Swampbuster Commenced~~

County Committee reviewed a request for swampbuster commenced by FSN 826 Robert H. Brace. Committee noted wetlands determination was completed by U.S. Fish and Wildlife on tract 1356. Producer has been assessed a fine for converting wetlands and the process is now in litigation. ~~Oats was planted on the area in 1987 and clover hay was harvested in 1988.~~

After reviewing invoices submitted by Mr. Brace and conferring with Lew Steckler, SCS, County Committee

determined that drainage commenced prior to December 23, 1985, and approved ASCS-492.

4. DISASTER PROGRAM

A. Review of Requests

County Committee noted 121 farms have filed ASCS-574 Request for Disaster Credit to date. Field Assistant Tom Dauson is trying to keep current on appraisals.

B. County Yields and Rates

County Committee reviewed PA Notice PAD-2 County Yields and Rates for 1988 Disaster Program.

5. EMERGENCY FEED PROGRAM

County Committee reviewed the Emergency Feed Program and the Emergency Feed Assistance Program process. It was noted that most farmers have sufficient feed on hand and are not eligible at this time. Alternative system was reviewed.

6. PRODUCTION ADJUSTMENT

A. Expired PIK

County Committee reviewed and approved a request for Shreve Farms' expired PIK certificate.

B. Late-filed Farms

County Committee reviewed farms filing late-filed acreage reports and established the following yields on comparable farms in the area.

7. RECONSTITUTIONS.

County Committee reviewed and approved ASCS-155 Data for Farm Reconstitutions.

A. Combinations

A00095 FSN 70 Robert Huston and FSN 79 Robert Huston into FSN 2868 Robert Huston.

B. Divisions

A00096 FSN 2833 Ralph Gilkinson into FSN 2869 Alan Tech and FSN 2870 Ralph Gilkinson.

A00091 FSN 294 Fruit Acres into FSN 2843 John Pero and FSN 2842 Estate of John Phillips and FSN 2844 Fruit Acres.

A00089 Tract 2317 Fruit Acres into Tract 7838 John Pero and Tract 7837 John Pero and Tract 7841 Estate of John Phillips and Tract 7839 Fruit Acres and Tract 7840 Fruit Acres.

A00088 FSN 307 Souhall K. Rahal into FSN 2837 Souhall K. Rahal and FSN 2838 Daniel L. Betts.

A00087 Tract 2301 Souhall K. Rahal into Tract 7831 Daniel L. Betts and Tract 7830 Souhall K. Rahal.

A00086 FSN 1347 Richard R. Meehl into FSN 2834 Michael V. Baker and FSN 2835 Richard R. Meehl.

8. AERIAL COMPLIANCE

County Committee noted the slides for the county have been received. Indexing slides and selection for spotchecks will commence next week.

9. FARM STORAGE FACILITY LOAN

County Committee noted Farm Storage Facility Loan payment for Vernon Culver has been received.

10. GENERAL DISCUSSION

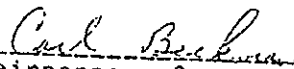
County Committee reviewed heavy work period and lack of trained personnel in the office.

11. COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETING

The next regular meeting of the County Committee will be on October 12, 1988.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

  
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Chairperson, County Committee

  
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County Executive Director