

## Essex County Natural Resources Conservation District Board Meeting

November 12th, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM

Board attendance: Tim White, Ursula Johnson, Chris von Alt; Bill Manning

District staff: Sam Mayne, Clara Fernandez Odell, Sean Willison

Public: Sen. Russ Ingalls (Essex District), Terri Lynn Williams (Granby), Terry Williams (Granby)

### Opening remarks

None were made

### Approval of meeting minutes:

Chris moved to pass September (NEK Union) and August meeting minutes, Tim seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

### Financials

- No comment was made on the financial materials

### Accomplishments/Updates:

- Grant Updates
  - Mycelium Pollutant Reduction grant application was partially funded by VHCB
  - A Capacity grant was submitted to WUV for funding to explore how to use the NEK Union to strengthen the Districts
  - A grant was submitted to the Working Lands Enterprise Initiative to fund all NEK Districts in providing business advising services to working lands Businesses in the NEK

### Meeting Topic(s)

- Sam ~~prescribed~~ described further the subcommittee that was proposed at the NEK Union meeting to explore further how to strengthen the NEK Union. Chris volunteered to take part as a part of his work as ECNRCD's Representative to the Union.
- Bill moved that the board pay \$102 to the National Association of Conservation Districts for annual dues. Tim seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
- Chris moved that the board pay \$3,000 to the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts for annual dues, as requested by VACD. Tim seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### Other Business

- None

### Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 12:30 PM December 17th in the conference room at the US Fish & Wildlife Service Silvio O. Conte Refuge Nulhegan Basin Welcome Center in Brunswick, VT.

Tim made the motion to adjourn at 5:30 PM. Bill seconded. Motion carried unanimously.