

Cordry Sweetwater Conservancy District
Financial Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
DRAFT - May 20, 2021 – CSCD Office

1. Members Attending in person: Carrie Vavul, Sharon Ketner, Scott Nickerson, Rex Keck, Denise Caudill, Ron Rayl
2. Others attending in person: Jay Nogan, Pat Sherman, Josh Hawley
3. Absent: Anita Sears
4. Attending via video: none
5. Guests attending: none

6. Meeting began at 7:00 PM

7. Ketner shared a draft of the questions that would appear on the Freeholder survey. The questions were further refined to yield the best results with a goal to finalize the questions at the June meeting and distribute the survey to Freeholders immediately thereafter.

8. Keck expressed that he felt we couldn't decouple from the ad valorem completely because it was most stable and predictable. Caudill and Rayl agreed. Sherman said that the CSCD needed to decouple completely because Brown County's assessments are unfair.

9. Rayl asked why incorporation hasn't been considered for the Conservancy District and Ketner responded that, with our high percentage of second home owners, the people who don't live in the conservancy on a full time basis would not have a say (vote) whereas they do now.

10. Brainstorming on other potential revenue streams. The idea of covered winter boat storage or a marina on each lake where "slips" could be rented was discussed. Two ideas were discussed: Could revenue be developed if covered winter boat storage was built on Conservancy property and spots rented to Freeholders? Could a marina with boat slips be developed on each lake for offshore Freeholders to keep their boats in the water overnight?

The Financial Advisory Committee Mission:

"Explore ways to fund the approved budget and eventually decouple from the reliance upon value-based assessments for the collection of CSCD revenues."