

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
ULSTER COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
5 PARK LANE
HIGHLAND, NY 12528
January 5, 2026**

1. OPENING MEETING - The **MEETING** was **CALLED TO ORDER** by Chairman L. Tantillo at 9:01 AM. Directors Present: L. Tantillo, F. Wilklow, B. Davenport and J. Delaune. SWCD Staff in attendance: J. Wedemeyer - Executive Director, M. Garfinkle, Ashokan Stream Project Manager and C. DeGroot - Program Assistant.

The Board discussed the top applicants for the Ashokan Stream Coordinator position.

2026-1-5-1 Delaune made the Motion, Wilklow seconded, to offer one of the applicants the Ashokan Stream Coordinator position at a starting salary of \$67,000.00. All in favor.

Wedemeyer completed annual staff evaluations and told the Board he is very pleased with staff's performance.

Directors requested Wedemeyer recuse himself from the meeting so they could talk to staff. (Wedemeyer left the Meeting at 9:05 AM)

(Wedemeyer returned to the Meeting at 9:12 AM)

(J. Delaune left the Meeting at 9:12 AM)

2. ADJOURNMENT

2026-1-5-2 A Motion was made by Tantillo to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:14 AM, seconded by Wilklow. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine DeGroot
Program Assistant