



# Meeting Minutes

## DeKalb County

### Soil and Water Conservation District

#### Call to order

The monthly Board meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD was held on August 10, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Paul Kuhn at 7:00 p.m.

#### Attendees

**Attendees included:** Directors, Dan Kenney, Paul Kuhn, Lynn Martz and Anita Zurbrugg

**Associate Directors:** Nick Moore, Rick Bend, Peggy Doty, Gordon Kohn and Jim Arndt

**Staff:** Dean Johnson and Jeff Woodyatt

**NRCS:** Aaron Seim

**Guest:**

#### Directors not in attendance

**Members not in attendance included:** John Begun

#### Approval of the agenda

**Motion to approve agenda made by:** Director Zurbrugg, seconded by Director Martz, approved.

#### Approval of minutes

**Motion to approve minutes of the June 8, and June 29th 2022 meetings made by:** Director Martz, seconded by Director Kenney, approved.

#### Approval of Treasurers Report

**Motion to approve the Treasures Report made by:** Director Zurbrugg and seconded by Director Kenney, approved.

## Reports

**NRCS Report:** District Conservationist Aaron Seim provided an update on the activities of the NRCS Staff for the month of August and provided an outlook into September activities.

**SWCD Resource Conservationist:** Jeff Woodyatt provided a written report of the activities of the Resource Conservationist for the month of August and the outlook for activities occurring in September.

**SWCD Executive Director:** Dean Johnson provided a written report of the activities of the Executive Director for the month of August and the outlook for September.

**University of Illinois Natural Resources Educator:** Peggy Doty updated the board on the activities occurring at the Natural Resource Center.

## Correspondence

Solar Energy Systems ordinance is ongoing with DeKalb County, the DeKalb County SWCD will be much more involved if the current draft is approved.

DeKalb County Stormwater Planning and Management Committee met last week, Anita and Dean both serve on this committee. Discussion on wetland maps, urban rural interface, IEPA grant and green infrastructure inclusions into County Ordinance. Local municipalities have interest in updating ordinances but need the County Board to lead and make changes.

Summer Conference was held in Springfield, there were good workshops and discussions. Director Kuhn attended annual meeting but because of a lack of a quorum items could not be officially approved. Recommendations on how to achieve a quorum will be discussed by the AISWCD board.

The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event was very successful. Approximately 100 people attended the event and Gabe Brown was the featured speaker. A Farmer Forum was held on July 15<sup>th</sup> with Gabe Brown approximately 50 were in attendance.

## Time Sheet Approval

Employee time sheets were reviewed and approved by: Director's Kuhn and Martz.

## Unfinished business

### New business

**Natural Resource Education** -Director Zurbrugg moved to approve \$23,000.00 to help support the University of Illinois Natural Resource Education for FY23. Director Martz seconded the motion, motion passed.

**PFC Cost Share Proposals-** Director Martz moved to approve cost share dollars for David Drake at \$13,225.98 and Walt Dander for \$3812.49 for grassed waterways. Director Zurbrugg seconded the motion, motion carried.

## Adjournment

**Motion to Adjourn:** Director Martz, seconded by Director Kenney, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

## Announcements

The next meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD will be October 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.. The meeting will be held at the DeKalb County Farm Bureau's Center for Agriculture in Sycamore.

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Chairman

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Date