



Meeting Minutes DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District

Call to order

A Zoom meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD was held on March 10, 2021. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Begun at 12:30 p.m.

Attendees

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

Associate Directors: Jim Arndt and Gordon Kohn

Staff: Dean Johnson and Jeff Woodyatt

NRCS: Aaron Seim

Guest: None

Directors not in attendance

Members not in attendance included:

Approval of the agenda

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

Approval of minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the February 10, 2021 meeting made by: Director Zurbrugg, seconded by Director Martz, approved.

Approval of Treasurers Report

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

Reports

NRCS Report: District Conservationist Aaron Seim presented a printed report updating the board on the activities of NRCS for the month of February and the outlook for March.

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

SWCD Executive Director: Dean Johnson provided a written report of the activities of the Executive Director for the month of February and the outlook for March.

University of Illinois Natural Resources Educator: No report

Correspondence

Grant agreements have been sent out the Districts. We have signed and returned the agreement back to IDOA. Once all the agreements have been returned the IDOA will wait for instructions to send them to the Comptroller's Office for disbursement. Allocation will be \$40,721.65 for operations and \$25,125.69 for cost share.

DeKalb County Farm Bureau's Summer Ag Institute is a tentative go. The District will have a major role in this institute as it focuses on water.

Rain Barrel sale set for May 8 at the Kishwaukee Water Reclamation District in DeKalb.

Sending out letters to landowners in the Upper South Branch of the Kishwaukee River Watershed encouraging them to implement BMP's in the critical areas on their property.

The District is signing up for ePAY with the Illinois State Treasurers Office so that we can accept credit card and electronic checks for programs and sales online.

Fish sale will be April 29 from 11:30-1:00

Time Sheet Approval

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

Unfinished business

None

New business

Election of Officers: Associate Director Jim Arndt conducted the Election of Officers. It was moved by Director Kuhn to cast a unanimous ballot for the current slate of Officers to continue in their current positions for the next year. Motion was seconded by Director Zurbrugg, motion carried with 5 yeas and 0 nays.

CPP Approvals: Director Kenney moved to approve \$3226.00 for a grassed waterway for David Fruit. Director Martz seconded the motion, motion carried.

Director Kuhn moved to approve \$2250.00 for a grassed waterway for Charles Brown. Director Martz seconded the motion, motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Director Kuhn, seconded by Director Zurbrugg, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Announcements

The next meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD will be April 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. . The meeting will be held in the Farm Bureau conference room located in the DeKalb County Farm Bureau's Center for Agriculture in Sycamore, Illinois.

Chairman

Date