



Meeting Minutes

DeKalb County

Soil and Water Conservation District

Call to order

The monthly Board meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD was held on May 11, 2022. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Begun at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees

Attendees included: Directors, John Begun, Dan Kenney and Anita Zurbrugg

Associate Directors: Byron Cann,

Staff: Dean Johnson and Jeff Woodyatt

NRCS: Aaron Seim

Guest: Alexa Rutherford, Melissa Lenczewski, Ashley Broussard

Directors not in attendance

Members not in attendance included: Paul Kuhn and Lynn Martz

Approval of the agenda

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

Approval of minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the April 13, 2022 meeting made by: Director Kenney, seconded by Director Zurbrugg, approved.

Approval of Treasurers Report

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

Reports

Ashley Broussard a Graduate Student from NIU who is writing her master's thesis on The Kishwaukee River Watershed presented her findings at the meeting. Ashley is a student of Melissa Lenczewski who is in the Environmental Science department at NIU.

NRCS Report: District Conservationist Aaron Seim provided an update on the activities of the NRCS Staff. Aaron provided some input into the lack of contracts for NRCS programs to the board, he will update the board at our next meeting as well.

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

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

University of Illinois Natural Resources Educator: No Report

Correspondence

None Given

Time Sheet Approval

Employee time sheets were reviewed and approved by: Directors' Begun and Zurbrugg.

Unfinished business

75th Anniversary Event- Ms. Zurbrugg reported that the planning was going well. Gabe Brown will be our featured speaker at the 75th event and again on Friday the 15th at the DeKalb County Farm Bureau. Country Store and Catering will be the caterer. There is a big push to get sponsorships for the event, so all the Directors are asked to seek out potential candidates. Sponsorship materials will be sent to Directors, or they will be available in the office. The Committee plans to meet at Jonamac's to look at the site and see how it will fit our needs. Invitations will go out in early June.

New business

CPP Project David Fruit- Director Zurbrugg moved to cancel the expired contract for reshaping a waterway and then moved to approve a new contract for \$4957.00 for the same waterway. Director Kenney seconded the motion, motion carried.

Jason Hoshaw Well Sealing- Director Zurbrugg moved to approve well sealing funds not to exceed \$750.00 for Jason Hoshaw. Director Kenney seconded the motion, motion carried.

Joseph Ziparrow Waterway CPP- Director Kenney moved to approve \$7245.00 for waterway reshaping for Joseph Ziparrow. Director Zurbrugg seconded the motion, motion carried.

Adjournment

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

Announcements

The next meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD will be June 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.. The meeting will be held at the DeKalb County Farm Bureau's Center for Agriculture in Sycamore.

Chairman

Date