

# White County Soil & Water Conservation District 103 Country Lane – Monticello, IN 47960 574-583-5962 Ext. 3

JULY 12, 2022

# WHITE COUNTY SWCD SUPERVISORS MEETING

#### THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY LARRY KILMER AT 8:30 AM.

ALSO PRESENT WERE JULIA HART, JOHN DEMERLY, JOHN FIELDING, JAYLEN HUNT, STEVE COSGRAY, BRUCE REYNOLDS, COLETTE ZEIGLER-STALEY, AND SHANNON O'FARRELL.

### **MINUTES:**

THE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE MEETING STAND APPROVED AS RECEIVED.

(JOHN F/JAYLEN H)

# TREASURER'S REPORT:

THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR JUNE WERE REVIEWED AND APPROVED; SUBJECT TO AUDIT AT A LATER DATE.

(JAYLEN H/JOHN D)

#### CLAIMS

**APPROVED** 

(JAYLEN H / JOHN D)

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### RC&D UPDATE

ARROWHEAD RC&D EDUCATION COMMITTEE HAS BEEN PREPARING FOR THEIR ANNUAL RIVER RAFTING EXPEDITION. CURRENTLY, THERE ARE 14 CLASSES SIGNED UP WITH A TOTAL OF 324 STUDENTS REGISTERED. PLANNERS HAVE BEEN PREPARING EDUCATIONAL SUPPLIES, LINING UP SPEAKERS, AND ORGANIZING VOLUNTEERS. RAFTING DATES WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 8, 13, 14, 15.

THERE HAS BEEN SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT RELOCATING THE ENVIROTHON COMPETITION FROM CAMP BUFFALO TO THE GENEVA CENTER IN ROCHESTER, IN DUE TO HIGH RENTAL FEES. CAMP BUFFALO HAS AGREED TO REDUCE THEIR RATE BY HALF IF THE COMMITTEE WOULD PERFORM A SERVICE PROJECT. MEMBERS ARE STILL DELIBERATING.

NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022 @ 8:00 AM.

MONTICELLO USDA SERVICE CENTER
103 COUNTRY LANE, MONTICELLO, IN 47960

THE ARROWHEAD RC&D ANNUAL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON AUGUST 18 AT MOONTREE STUDIOS IN PLYMOUTH, IN AT 6 PM. THE SPEAKER FOR THIS EVENT WILL BE STEPHANIE SCHUCK, THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SICIM, TO TALK ABOUT THE FUTURE ON THE INDIANA INVASIVES INITIATIVE. DINNER WILL BE PROVIDED.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# LARE GRANT

The airport has started clearing out trees on the South end of the runway. DNR Wildlife Biologist, Tony Carroll, visited the site to discuss fall treatment and seed application next spring. 14 acres were quoted for this project, and roughly 20 acres have been cleared. We plan on partnering with Pheasants Forever to offset some of the operation expenses as well as implementation of a management plan.

Awards announcement: Aug. 1st.

# **GARDEN CLUB**

ON JUNE 14, FAMILY COMMUNITY GARDENS HOSTED A 'WEEDING' WORKSHOP, LED BY ANDREW WESTFALL, PURDUE EXTENSION. ANDREW DISCUSSED VEGETATION MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES AND THE TOOLS USED TO MANAGE UNWANTED PLANTS. THERE WERE 5 MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE.

FCG WILL BE HOSTING ANOTHER GARDENING WORKSHOP; MONTICELLO PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL PRESENT ON 'RAISED BEDS' ON 7/12/22 @ 7 PM.

# P.O.P. CLUB

ON 7/5/22, THE WHITE COUNTY SWCD HOSTED A DEMONSTRATION TABLE FOR P.O.P. CLUB MEMBERS AT THE MONTICELLO FARMER'S MARKET. THE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY INCLUDED AN ACTIVE DISPLAY OF THE WATER CYCLE TO FULFILL THEIR EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

# INCLP – Indiana Clean Lakes Program

SHANNON PICKED UP TESTING EQUIPMENT FROM IU VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS AND IS WORKING ON SCHEDULING VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH COLLECTION. ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER, JIM REYNOLDS, WILL BE ASSISTING SHANNON WHILE OUT ON THE WATER. FIRST SAMPLING DATE: 7/29/22.

NRCS UPDATE; DC TALKING POINTS:

REPORT ATTACHED

ISDA UPDATE: DSS UPDATE

REPORT ATTACHED

**EXTENSION UPDATE:** 

REPORT ATTACHED

**OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR ACTIVITIES:** 

REPORT ATTACHED

OTHER:

ADJOURN:

9:25 AM

X Jarry Ribner X John Friedy