

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES March 11, 2025 Faith Connection Idaville, Idaville, IN

Board Members

Larry Kilmer
Chairman
John Fielding
Vice Chairman
John Demerly
Supervisor
Steve Cosgray
Supervisor
Rich Hines
Supervisor
Bruce Reynolds
Associate Supervisor

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Katie Snowberger
District Administrator

The White County Soil & Water Conservation District held their 2024 Annual Meeting on March 11, 2025 at Faith Connection Idaville, Idaville, Indiana. There were 39 people in attendance.

The evening began at 6:00 PM with a welcoming address by Larry Kilmer, recognizing all the partners and public officials in attendance. An invocation was provided by John Demerly. Soon after invocation dinner was served and Larry Kilmer called the meeting to order.

John Demerly, Election Committee Chair, officiated the election of supervisors. Steve Cosgray was elected to continue his duties as a supervisor on the board. Due to only one candidate, a vote was taken by a show of hands. The majority was in favor, Mr. Cosgray was duly sworn in by John Demerly.

After the election, the minutes from the Annual Meeting on March 12, 2024 and the 2024 Financial Report were read. Chairman Kilmer asked for a motion to approve which was given by John Fielding, and John Demerly seconded.

Following dinner, John Fielding recognized the Outdoor Education Grant recipients. Presentation from Angie Alexander from Eastlawn Elementary School was given about their butterfly projects.

Seth Harden from The Nature Conservancy presented information about the Wabash Watershed. He gave a great talk about what the reason for the project is needed and how it will help. Our other speaker was Mitch Billue to talk to everyone about Tree City USA and how White County SWCD and the Monticello Parks Department are working together to create a tree city in Monticello. He presented on what steps you need to take and how to set up a Tree City for your own town in White County.

Farm Service Agency partner, Allison Clark and Derek Carty from Natural Resource Conservation Service introduced themselves to the group, they didn't have any new updates to provide.

Tri-County FFA Soils Judging Team was present at the meeting and the new members were presented with personalized clipboards and soil knives to congratulate them on making their way to the National Contest this year. Pence Revington from Moots Creek was recognized for her conservation efforts and stewardship as White County Friend of Conservation.

Rich Hines, presented the door prizes for the evening, a White County Plat Map along with the snake plants that were on the center of the tables. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM with a motion made by John Demerly.