



Meeting Minutes DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District

Call to order

A meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD was held at the DeKalb County Farm Bureau Center for Agriculture in Sycamore Illinois on December 11, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Begun at 12:30 p.m.

Attendees

Attendees included: Directors, John Begun, Paul Kuhn, Lynn Martz and Scott Pumroy

Associate Directors: Paul Dreska, Rick Bend, Anita Zurbrugg and Byron Cann

Staff: Dean Johnson and Jeff Woodyatt

NRCS:

Guest:

Directors not in attendance

Members not in attendance included: Dan Kenney

Approval of the agenda

Motion to approve agenda made by: Director Martz, Seconded by Director Kuhn, approved.

Approval of minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting made by: Director Kuhn, seconded by Director Pumroy, approved.

Approval of Treasurers Report

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

Reports

NRCS Report: Acting District Conservationist Lori Younker provided a written update as to the activities of the NRCS in the month of November and the outlook for December.

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

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

University of Illinois Natural Resources Educator: No Report

Correspondence

Cover Crop Insurance rebate sign-up will begin December 15th on a first come first serve basis. 56,000 acres are available this year for this pilot program.

Dean and Jeff attended Winter Training, both of them learned from some good sessions.

The District has changed internet providers to Comcast Business which is a savings of approximately \$20 per month and provides a better product.

There is no information on when this years' allocation will be released to the Districts. We are already 6 months into the year.

Dean and Jeff will start receiving coverage on the States Health Insurance plan January 1, 2020. The Department of Ag is covering approximately 75% of the cost the District will pay the balance and will be a part of the Employees compensation package.

Time Sheet Approval

Employee time sheets were reviewed and approved by: Director Begun

Unfinished business

None

New business

Natural Resource Information Report: Director Martz moved to approve NRI report 704, Krpan Acres in the City of Sycamore. Director Kuhn seconded the motion, motion carried.

Employee Christmas Bonus: Director Martz moved to give each employee Dean Johnson and Jeff Woodyatt a \$250.00(net) Christmas bonus. Director Kuhn seconded the motion, motion carried.

Employee Contracts: Director Pumroy moved to approve the negotiated employee contracts with Dean Johnson and Jeffery Woodyatt for 2020. Director Martz seconded the motion, motion carried.

Adjournment

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

Announcements

The next meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD will be January 8, 2020 at 12:30 p.m.. The meeting will be held in the SWCD conference room located in the DeKalb County Farm Bureau's Center for Agriculture in Sycamore, Illinois. A light lunch will be at noon.

Chairman

Date