

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, July 10, 2013

**Next meeting Wednesday, August 14, 2013 11 AT 9:00 a.m.  
Board will meet to do Employee Evaluations at 8:00 a.m.**

The Board of Directors of the Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District held their regular monthly board meeting on Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. at the USDA Service Center in Hillsboro, Illinois. Chairman Carl Bergman called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m. Roll call was as follows:

**Present:**

**Directors:** Dave Pastrovich, Ken Suslee, Carl Bergman, Jason Anderson, and Dave Schluckebier

**Associate Directors:** Brad Young

**Staff:** Dave Hobson, Melissa Cauble and CJ Liddell

**Absent:**

**Associate Directors:** Dennis Hand, Dick Lyons and Dan Eck

**Employees:** Kris Reynolds

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. No changes or additions were noted.

**Financial Statements and Approval of Bills:** The board reviewed the financial statements. A copy of those statements is on file with these minutes in the SWCD office. No changes or corrections were noted. **Dave Pastrovich made a motion to approve the minutes, financial reports and payment of bills which were presented.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Jason Anderson**

**Carried: Yes**

**Staff Reports:** All employees presented written reports which are filed as part of these minutes. **Dave Schluckebier made a motion to accept the reports as presented.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> by: Dave Pastrovich**

**Carried: Yes**

**Natural Area Guardians Report:** No report

### OLD BUSINESS

**C-2000 Programs:** No news

**CRP, EQIP, CSP, Etc.:** CJ Liddell reported the following:

1. CRP re-enrollments were being forwarded from FSA in order to begin the planning process and we were awaiting the approvals of the General CRP sign up contracts
2. He had several EQIP summer projects in progress and was preparing participants for the planting of cover crops
3. He had 1 CSP contract approved but the participant cancelled out

**CREP:** CJ reported that Courtney Warmouth had expressed interest in both the federal and state programs, and doing a permanent easement on his farm.

Melissa reported that she had been in contact with CREP Specialist, Ray Geroff about the Getz easement. She said Ray had assured her that the contract was moving closer to completion.

**Contribution Agreement:** No news

**Budget/Insurance News:** Melissa reported that the July billings had been paid including to CMS, Standard and the Montgomery County SWCD for reimbursement of services. She stated she was working on the insurance budget for the SWCD of Illinois Insurance account and would be meeting with Steve Chard, Rich Nichols and the insurance committee at Summer Conference to approve it. She also stated she would speak with them at that time about contracting services for the admin position in the coming year.

Melissa then reported that the district had received its fourth quarter operations and program dollars before the end of June.

**American Farmland Trust:** Melissa reported the agreement had been signed and submitted to the AFT and Kris was still in discussion with them about holding meeting in the fall.

**Ag in the Classroom Donation:** Melissa reminded the board that it was time to present a check to the University of Illinois for the Ag in the Classroom program, due to the fact that we had received all the FY 2013 allocation money, as per our agreement. She also stated the new agreement had been submitted to the University with the same conditions as previous years; payment was contingent upon receiving all allocated funds.

**Summer Conference:** Melissa reminded the board the conference was coming up on July 22 and 23. She stated she had returned the registrations and a check to the AISWCD for those who were planning to attend. Melissa also stated there were two extra farm family dinner tickets if anyone else would like to use them.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Employee Reviews, Employment Contracts:** Melissa reminded the board that August was the month to do reviews and annual contracts. The board agreed to meet an hour prior to the next board meeting to do these items.

**Employee Time Sheets: Jason Anderson made a motion to approve the time sheets.**  
2<sup>nd</sup> by: Dave Schluckebier Carried: Yes

**Next Meeting: To be held Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at 9:00 a.m., with the board meeting at 8:00 to do evaluations and contracts.**

**Adjourn: At 5:20 p.m. Dave Pastrovich made a motion to adjourn the meeting.**  
2<sup>nd</sup> by: Jason Anderson Carried: Yes

**Signed:**

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Dave Schluckebier, Sec/Treas

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