DUBUQUE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING May 16, 2023

210 Bierman Road, Epworth, IA 52045-9529

Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/92028419698?pwd=aTFRanR4Y1VxbytvMTZRUnFhZUx5Zz09 and Passcode is 255605. Phone: 1(312)626-6799, Meeting ID: 92028419698, Passcode: 255605

<u>Call Meeting to Order</u>: The monthly meeting of the Dubuque Soil & Water Conservation District Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Wayne Demmer at 8:35 a.m. via Zoom and in person at the District office in Epworth, IA on May 16, 2023. Those present included Staff: Bill Meyer, Sarah Kelchen (Acting CA) & Eric Schmechel. Commissioners: Wayne Demmer, Mike Freiburger, Jeff Schmitt, Jack Smith & Ronald Lindblom.

Adopt Agenda:

The agenda was approved with the addition of a Farms Cost Share Amendment & a bill from Eric Schmechel for I-cloud services for May, \$9.99.

23-42 Motion was made by Smith to approve the agenda with the addition of a Farms Cost Share Amendment & a bill from Eric Schmechel for I-cloud services for May, \$9.99. Motion was seconded by Freiburger. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting</u>: Demmer called for a discussion of the minutes from the regular meeting held April 11, 2023.

23-43 Motion made by Smith to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held April 11, 2023. Motion seconded by Lindblom. Motion carried unanimously.

FARMS Program Summary:

Current FARMS '23 Account information:

REAP P \$3180.00 REAP F/NG \$10,078.64 Cost Share \$2125.00

Cost Share Application:

None

Cost Share Cancellations:

Demmer called for discussion of FARMS cost share cancellation.

23-44 Motion made by Lindblom to approve FARMS cost share cancellation. Motion seconded by Freiburger. Motion carried unanimously.

Practice Number	Name	Program	Practice	Amount	Action
104637	Marissa Waldo	WQI	Cover crop	\$1950.00	Cancel application

Farms Cost Share Amendments:

Demmer called for discussion of FARMS cost share amendments.

23-45 Motion made by Freiburger to approve FARMS cost share amendment. Motion seconded by Schmitt. Motion carried unanimously.

Applicant	Practice ID	Program	Practice	Date to be changed	Old Value	New Value	Approval Status
Recker, Joseph	97967	Reap P	FSI	Completion Date	6/30/2023	6/30/2024	approve new completion date

Cost Share Certifications & Maintenance Agreements:

None

Conservation Plan

None

(Board voted 6-13-22, motion #22-72 to not sign CRP Conservation Plans)

Finance:

- April TR, Bank Statement & bills.

Demmer called for discussion of the April TR, bank statement, bills listed & addition of bill from Eric Schmechel for May I-cloud service.

23-46 Motion made by Freiburger to approve the April TR, bank statement, bills listed on the TR and the addition of bill from Eric Schmechel for May I-cloud services. Motion seconded by Lindblom. Motion carried unanimously.

Watershed Project Update:

- RCPP work session with County Supervisors invited to be held May 23, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.
- ** Schmechel exited meeting 8:55 a.m.

Correspondence Received:

- 2023 Awards info. – Cons. Farmer of the Yr due to SWCD by May 12, AO May 26, IDALS June 9 Demmer called for discussion of the nomination for Conservation Farmer of the Year.

23-47 Motion made by Schmitt to nominate Tim Daly for the Conservation Farmer of the Year Award. Motion was seconded by Freiburger. Motion carried unanimously.

CDI Connections

Meeting Updates:

No updates

Personnel Updates:

- No start date for new CA yet.
- NACD vacancy. Kelchen checked with NACD. They approved extension to Summer of 2024.

NRCS Updates:

Meyer gave an update on NRCS happenings. All our CSP applications were approved. Waiting to hear on EQIP approvals. CRP active, mostly working on re-enrolls.

Other Business:

Being no further business to discuss, Demmer requested a motion to adjourn.

23-48 Motion made by Freiburger to adjourn. Motion seconded by Lindblom. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

The next meeting will be tentatively held on Tuesday , June 13 , 2023 at the district office or via Zoom.						
Chairperson	Date	Secretary	Date			