

DUBUQUE SOIL & WATER
 CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
 EPWORTH IA
 November 14, 2022

Call Meeting to Order: The monthly meeting of the Dubuque Soil & Water Conservation District Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Wayne Demmer at 6:32 p.m. via Zoom and in person at the District office in Epworth, IA on November 14, 2022. Those present included Staff: Theresa Weiss, Colleen Siefken; Commissioners: Wayne Demmer, Jack Smith, Ron Lindblom & Mike Freiburger; Assistant Commissioner: Dave Ruden.

Adopt Agenda: Being no additions or changes the agenda was approved as presented.

22-115 Motion was made by Smith to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Freiburger. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting: Demmer called for a discussion of the October 10 & 19, 2022 monthly meeting minutes.

22-116 Motion made by Freiburger to approve the meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

FARMS Program Summary: Current **FARMS '23** Account information:

Program	Balance	Program	Balance
REAPP	\$ 40.60	Cost Share	\$ 88,457.93
REAPF/NG	\$ 58.04		

Cost Share Application: None

Cost Share Amendment: None

Cost Share Certifications: Board reviewed the following:

Waiting Board Certification Report								Date Printed: November 14, 2022
Application Number	Board Approved Date	Program	Applicant	Practice	Primary Amount Installed	Primary Practice Units	Eligible Cost	Cost Share Amount
105335	10/11/2022	WQI	BAHL, RICHARD	Cover Crop - 1 Year	80.3	Acre(s)	\$4,015.00	\$1,204.50
105336	10/11/2022	WQI	BAHL, RUSSELL	Cover Crop - 1 Year	60	Acre(s)	\$3,000.00	\$950.00
99444	08/04/2022	WQI	BEHNKE, JOSHUA	Cover Crop - 1 Year	50	Acre(s)	\$2,500.00	\$750.00
99698	08/04/2022	WQI	BEHNKE, KENNETH	Cover Crop - 1 Year	49	Acre(s)	\$2,450.00	\$735.00
99925	08/04/2022	WQI	BRANT, SCOTT	Cover Crop - 1 Year	40	Acre(s)	\$2,000.00	\$600.00

104938	09/15/2022	WQI	Burkle, Jeff	Cover Crop - 1 Year	35	Acre(s)	\$1,750.00	\$875.00
100538	07/11/2022	WQI	Digmann, Matthew	Cover Crop - 1 Year	28	Acre(s)	\$1,400.00	\$700.00
103684	08/19/2022	WQI	DUPONT, MATTHEW	Cover Crop - 1 Year	85	Acre(s)	\$4,250.00	\$1,275.00
100521	08/04/2022	WQI	DUPONT, RANDY	Cover Crop - 1 Year	38.7	Acre(s)	\$1,935.00	\$580.50
99930	08/04/2022	WQI	FELDMANN, AMY	Cover Crop - 1 Year	59	Acre(s)	\$2,950.00	\$885.00
100043	08/04/2022	WQI	FRIEDMAN BROTHERS INC	Cover Crop - 1 Year	155	Acre(s)	\$7,750.00	\$2,325.00
99948	08/04/2022	WQI	GAUL, BRIAN	Cover Crop - 1 Year	104	Acre(s)	\$5,200.00	\$1,560.00
99946	08/04/2022	WQI	GAUL, JAMES	Cover Crop - 1 Year	90	Acre(s)	\$4,500.00	\$1,350.00
104700	09/09/2022	WQI	GAUL, NICHOLAS	Cover Crop - 1 Year	35	Acre(s)	\$1,750.00	\$525.00
105439	10/12/2022	WQI	GOEBEL, JOSEPH	Cover Crop - 1 Year	46	Acre(s)	\$2,300.00	\$690.00
101861	08/04/2022	WQI	HARTBECKE CATTLE CO INC	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
104056	08/25/2022	WQI	HEISLER, AMBROSE	Cover Crop - 1 Year	40	Acre(s)	\$2,000.00	\$600.00
101885	08/04/2022	WQI	HODGSON, BRIAN	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
100531	08/04/2022	WQI	HOEFLER, BRIAN	Cover Crop - 1 Year	70	Acre(s)	\$3,500.00	\$1,050.00
100011	08/04/2022	WQI	HOEFLER, DOUGLAS	Cover Crop - 1 Year	55.3	Acre(s)	\$2,765.00	\$829.50
102259	07/21/2022	WQI	Hoefler, John	Cover Crop - 1 Year	124	Acre(s)	\$6,200.00	\$3,100.00
100284	08/04/2022	WQI	JARDING, JOE	Cover Crop - 1 Year	30	Acre(s)	\$1,500.00	\$450.00
99647	08/04/2022	WQI	KLEIN, DAVID	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
101949	07/18/2022	WQI	KLEIN, JULIE	Cover Crop - 1 Year	15	Acre(s)	\$750.00	\$375.00
100107	08/04/2022	WQI	KLEIN, MARK	Cover Crop - 1 Year	147	Acre(s)	\$7,350.00	\$2,205.00
100136	07/11/2022	WQI	KLUESNER, TONY	Cover Crop - 1 Year	37	Acre(s)	\$1,850.00	\$925.00
99937	08/04/2022	WQI	KNEPPER, CHARLES	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
99942	08/04/2022	WQI	KNEPPER, MATHEW	Cover Crop - 1 Year	45	Acre(s)	\$2,250.00	\$675.00
99962	07/11/2022	WQI	Knepper, Scot	Cover Crop - 1 Year	30.07	Acre(s)	\$1,503.50	\$751.75
99250	08/04/2022	WQI	KRAMER, WAYNE	Cover Crop - 1 Year	60	Acre(s)	\$3,000.00	\$900.00
104593	09/07/2022	WQI	KUTSCH, MATTHEW	Cover Crop - 1 Year	66.36	Acre(s)	\$3,318.00	\$1,659.00

105334	09/27/2022	WQI	LAHEY, ROBERT	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
99938	08/04/2022	WQI	LANGEL, GENE	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
99941	08/04/2022	WQI	LATTNER, NICHOLAS	Cover Crop - 1 Year	47	Acre(s)	\$2,350.00	\$705.00
100787	08/04/2022	WQI	MARKHAM, JAMES	Cover Crop - 1 Year	10.5	Acre(s)	\$525.00	\$157.50
105325	10/11/2022	WQI	McDermott, Timothy	Cover Crop - 1 Year	10	Acre(s)	\$500.00	\$250.00
105333	10/11/2022	WQI	PANCRATZ, RANDY	Cover Crop - 1 Year	34	Acre(s)	\$1,700.00	\$510.00
100110	08/04/2022	WQI	PLOESSL FARMS INC	Cover Crop - 1 Year	153.71	Acre(s)	\$7,685.50	\$2,305.65
99528	08/04/2022	WQI	PULS, CAROL	Cover Crop - 1 Year	66.4	Acre(s)	\$3,320.00	\$996.00
99193	08/04/2022	WQI	RAUSCH, MARTY	Cover Crop - 1 Year	100	Acre(s)	\$5,000.00	\$1,500.00
100290	07/11/2022	WQI	SABERS, JACOB	Cover Crop - 1 Year	30.32	Acre(s)	\$1,516.00	\$758.00
99724	08/04/2022	WQI	Schmitt, Kathy	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
100068	07/11/2022	WQI	SIMON, ANDREW	Cover Crop - 1 Year	30	Acre(s)	\$1,500.00	\$750.00
103611	08/18/2022	WQI	SOPPE, DENNIS	Cover Crop - 1 Year	27	Acre(s)	\$1,350.00	\$405.00
99960	07/11/2022	WQI	Steffensmeier, Scott	Cover Crop - 1 Year	64	Acre(s)	\$3,200.00	\$1,600.00
101800	07/14/2022	WQI	STEIGER, DAVID	Cover Crop - 1 Year	21.7	Acre(s)	\$1,085.00	\$542.50
99931	08/04/2022	WQI	TIGGES, MICHAEL	Cover Crop - 1 Year	15	Acre(s)	\$750.00	\$225.00
100106	08/04/2022	WQI	TIGGES, RICHARD	Cover Crop - 1 Year	22	Acre(s)	\$1,100.00	\$330.00
99979	08/04/2022	WQI	WEBER BROTHERS DAIRY INC	Cover Crop - 1 Year	160	Acre(s)	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00
103229	08/11/2022	WQI	WOLF, KEVIN	Cover Crop - 1 Year	75	Acre(s)	\$3,750.00	\$1,125.00
104556	09/06/2022	WQI	WUCHTER, GERALD	Cover Crop - 1 Yr	57	Acre(s)	\$2,850.00	\$855.00
100654	08/04/2022	WQI	Wulfekuhle, James	Cover Crop - 1 yr	65	Acre(s)	\$3,250.00	\$975.00

22-117 Motion made by Freiburger to approve the above Certifications. Motion seconded by Lindblom. Motion carried unanimously.

Cost Share Maintenance Agreements:

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22-118 Motion made by Lindblom to approve the Maintenance Agreement. Motion seconded by Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

Watershed Project Update:

Conservation Agronomist – 3 applications received. Only going to interview 1 at this time. That will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, Nov 17th at the County office on Seippel Rd.

Finance:

October Bank Statement & Treasurer reports were reviewed.

22-119 Motion made by Smith to approve the October Treasurer Report, Bank Statement and all bills listed on the Treasurer's Report. Motion seconded by Lindblom. Motion carried unanimously.

District's FY 22 Annual Report:

Board reviewed the District's FY '22 Annual Report.

22-120 Motion made by Freiburger to approve the Report. Motion seconded by Lindblom. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence Received:

Cost Share Funding Recall –

IFIP – December 30th date – Lack of technical staff will force staffs to either put guesstimates onto projects to holdover funds or return their cost share obligations to DSC. This makes it look like there isn't a demand for the funds, which is untrue. Board desires to send a letter to state legislators stressing ongoing lack of technical help as reason funds are being returned.

REAP – Voluntary December 30th date.

FARMS Audit Request – Siefken forwarded 7 FARMS cost share folders to IDALS for accounting review.

Cover Crop Deadline Extension – NRCS extended the deadline to December 21st with stipulations and required spring field checks. WQI will just require seed was planted and pay this fall.

IDALS Intern Application – with loss of CA and DC it is felt 2023 will not be a good time to apply for Intern position.

State Technician Update – Interviews to be conducted this Friday.

October '22 Kozak Update

CDI Connections

22-121 Motion made by Lindblom to voluntarily return \$40.06 (REAPP) and \$58.04 (REAPF/NG) funds as of December 30th. Motion seconded by Freiburger. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Updates:

Freiburger reviewed the MRWMA Water Sampling results.

Personnel Updates:

Governor Reynolds announced 2 additional state holidays November 23rd and December 23rd. Siefken asked if the Board would like to extend this to district employees as we try to follow state holidays.

