



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 September 25, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Begun at 11:04 a.m.

Attendees

Attendees included: Directors, John Begun, Dan Kenney, Scott Pumroy, Lynn Martz and Paul Kuhn
Associate Directors: Byron Cann and Anita Zurbrugg

Staff: Dean Johnson and Jeff Woodyatt

NRCS:

Guest:

Directors not in attendance

Members not in attendance included:

Approval of the agenda

Motion to approve agenda made by: Director Pumroy, seconded by Director Martz, approved.

Approval of minutes

Motion to approve minutes of the August 14, 2019 meeting made by: Director Martz, seconded by Director Kuhn, approved.

Approval of Treasurers Report

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

Reports

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

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

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

University of Illinois Natural Resources Educator: Peggy Doty will be attending and instructing for the Water School Program.

Correspondence

Mike Richolson's sister Pat has passed away.

The IDOA has announced the allocations for the SWCD's for FY20; DeKalb will receive \$40,721.65 for operations and \$10,000.00 for CPP cost share.

The Section FFA Soil judging contest will be held on October 4 north of Genoa. The DeKalb SWCD will be assisting.

Dean spoke on the Farm Progress show and his experience with the Augmented Sandbox.

Time Sheet Approval

Employee time sheets were reviewed and approved by: Director Begun

Unfinished business

None

New business

Employee Insurance- Director Kenney moved that the District employees Dean Johnson and Jeff Woodyatt be allowed to participate in the State Health insurance program funded partially by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. Director Kuhn seconded the motion, motion carried.

CPP Waterway Project Cancellation- Director Kenney moved to cancel the CPP grassed waterway project with Rebecca Montgomery. Motion was seconded by Director Martz, motion carried.

Natural Resource Information Report- Director Martz moved to approve the natural resource information report for Daniel Josh and to recommend approval to the County Board. Director Kuhn seconded the motion, motion carried.

Signature Authority for Resource Conservationist- Director Kenney moved to allow Jeffery Woodyatt to sign CRP contracts when the Executive Director or Director is not available. Motion was seconded by Director Pumroy, motion carried.

Director Kuhn moved to give signatory authority to Jeffery Woodyatt for the District checking account. Director Martz seconded the motion, motion carried.

Watershed Leadership Conference- Director Martz moved to approve the Executive Director's and the Resource Conservationist's expenses for attending the Leadership for Midwestern Watersheds conference which will be held in Cedar Rapids, Iowa in November. Director Kuhn seconded the motion, motion carried.

NRCS Contribution Agreement- Director Kenney moved that the DeKalb County SWCD not participate in the FY20 Contribution Agreement with NRCS. Director Martz seconded the motion, motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Director Kenney moved to adjourn the meeting. Director Kuhn seconded the motion, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Announcements

The next meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD will be October 9, 2019 at 7:00 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.

Chairman

Date