

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, August 13, 2014

Next meeting Wednesday, September 10, 2014 AT 3:00 p.m.

The Board of Directors of the Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District held their regular monthly board meeting on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the USDA Service Center in Hillsboro, Illinois. Chairman Carl Bergman called the meeting to order at 10:49 a.m. Roll call was as follows:

Present:

Directors: Ken Suslee, Carl Bergman, Dennis Hand, and Dave Schluckebier
Associate Directors: Dave Pastrovich and Dan Eck
Staff: CJ Liddell, Dave Hobson, Kris Reynolds and Melissa Cauble

Absent:

Directors: Jason Anderson,
Associate Directors: Dick Lyons and Brad Young

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. No corrections 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.

Dennis Hand made a motion to approve the minutes, financial reports and payment of bills which were presented.

2nd by: Ken Suslee

Carried: Yes

Staff Reports: Monthly reports were given by all employees. **Dave Schluckebier made a motion to accept the reports as presented.**

2nd by: Ken Suslee

Carried: Yes

Natural Area Guardians Report: Kris reported the following:

1. The group had held their annual tour at the Glenn Savage property in Litchfield and had 15-20 attendees.
2. The group was planning their annual pork patty fund raiser on September 19 from 11-1:00 at the CNB parking lot in Hillsboro
3. Tommy Justison had completed the stairs leading from the Bremer Sanctuary to the Arches Rail Trail
4. Henry Eilers had received another claim denial letter from the overspray incident at the Rt. 66 property

OLD BUSINESS

C-2000 Programs: no news

CRP, EQIP, CSP, Etc.: CJ reported that office staff had been busy fulfilling its contribution agreement by doing CRP planning. He stated the CRP program was busy and both FSA and NRCS/SWCD employees had been contacting those with expiring contracts.

CREP: no news

Contribution Agreement: Kris reported that the FY 2015 agreement had been approved and that he had done about 20 CRP plans.

Budget/Insurance News: Melissa reported that August insurance bills had been paid and that she had submitted the FY 2015 budget and allocation request to Steve Chard at IDoA during summer conference.

She then stated that she had not received word on FY 2015 operations funding, but that it should be similar to FY 2014

Summer Conference: Melissa reported on the turnout at conference and the officer elections.

Employee Evaluations/Contracts: The board reported that both employees had been offered a 2% raise and had both received very good evaluations. **Dave Schluckebier made a motion to grant a 2% pay increase to both employees for contract year 2015.**

2nd by: **Dennis Hand**

Carried: Yes

Cover Crops Meeting: Kris reviewed the meeting plans with the board and asked for director attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

Employee Time Sheets: Dennis Hand made a motion to approve the time sheets.

2nd by: **Dave Schluckebier**

Carried: Yes

Next Meeting: **To be held Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.**

Adjourn: At 11:48 a.m. Dennis Hand made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

2nd by: **Ken Suslee**

Carried: Yes

Signed:

Dave Schluckebier, Sec/Treas

Date