



# Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District

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## MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING September 9th, 2024

### I. CALL TO ORDER

The monthly board meeting of the Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District was at the District Office in Paxton, IL and was called to order by Kenny Hawthorne at 8:34 a.m. Member's present were: Kurt Edwards, Brent Hewitt, Kenny Hawthorne, Adam Thorndyke and Jerry Oyer. District employees: Sarah Earles.

### II. REPORT OF COOPERATING AGENCIES

NRCS- Emailed Report

FSA- N/A

AFT- N/A

PF- N/A

PCM- N/A

### III. APPROVE MINUTES

It was approved by Edwards, and seconded by Hewitt to approve August 2024 Board Meeting minutes as mailed. Status of Motion: carried at 8:38 a.m. with 5 Directors present.

### IV. APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given with the following balances as August 30th, 2024

\*\*See attached page\*\*

It was moved by Hewitt and Seconded by Oyer to approve the treasurer's reports from 8/01/2024 to 8/30/2024, as presented by AC/RC, Sarah Earles. Motion carried with 5 directors present at 8:44 a.m.

#### A. Approve Bills

- 8/2/24 Verizon Wireless (MIFI Service)\_\_\_\_\_ 40.01
- 8/2/24 SWCD Insurance(Health August)\_\_\_\_\_ 546.00
- 8/8/24 Federal Liabilities\_\_\_\_\_ 957.76
- 8/8/24 State Liabilities\_\_\_\_\_ 194.04
- 8/19/2024 Elan Financial (Summer Conference Hotel)\_\_\_\_\_ 487.92
- 8/20/2024 Crawford County SWCD (FY23 PFC Transfer)\_\_\_\_\_ 2758.75

Hewitt made a motion to approve Pending Bills. Seconded by Thorndyke. Motion carried with 5 directors present at 8:48 am.

#### B. Approve Staff Time Sheets

- 8/1/24 Sarah Earles\_\_\_\_\_ 1534.04
- 8/15/24 Sarah Earles\_\_\_\_\_ 1534.04
- 8/29/24 Sarah Earles\_\_\_\_\_ 1534.04

Thorndyke made a motion to approve Staff Time Sheets. Seconded by Oyer. Motion carried with 5 directors present at 8:55 am.

**V. OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES**

- Goals of SWCD-Tabled until 2<sup>nd</sup> employee is hired
- New Hire-table
- Intern-Starting 9/23
- Scholarship- table

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

- Upcoming Events-Sarah has a few days off
- FFA Section 17 Soil Judging-Meal will cost \$900.00 from GoinPlaces in Gibson City. Edwards made a motion to pay even if we do not get co-sponsorships. Seconded by Thorndyke with 5 directors present at 9:30am. Sarah to make poster for event of who sponsors the meal.
- Deposit Stamp has broke- Earles requested to buy a new one. Edwards made a motion for a new stamp to be bought. Seconded by Hewitt with 5 directors present at 9:32am

**VII. AC/RC's REPORT –Nothing else to report****VIII. CORRESPONDENCE/MISCELLANEOUS –**

- Reminder to board members to complete OMA training if you have not already.  
<http://foia.ilattorneygeneral.net/Default.aspx>

**IX. PLAN NEXT MEETING –Tuesday October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 8:30am at the Office.****X. ADJOURN-** motion made to adjourn by Edwards, Seconded by Thorndyke with 5 directors present at 9:37 a.m.