



Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District

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MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING January 9, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

The monthly board meeting of the Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District was at Diner in Roberts, IL and was called to order by Adam Thorndyke at 8:41 a.m. Member's present were: Adam Thorndyke, Jerry Oyer, Brent Hewitt, and Kurt Edwards. District employee: Sarah Earles.

II. REPORT OF COOPERATING AGENCIES

NRCS- N/A

FSA- N/A

AFT- N/A

PF-N/A

PCM- N/A

III. APPROVE MINUTES

It was moved by Oyer, and seconded by Hewitt to approve December 2022 Board Meeting minutes as mailed. Status of Motion: carried at 8:42 a.m. with 4 Directors present

IV. APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given with the following balances as of December 31, 2022

****See attached page****

It was moved by Hewitt and Seconded by Edwards to approve the treasurer's reports from 12/01/2022 to 12/31/2022, as presented by AC/RC, Sarah Earles. Motion carried with 4 directors present at 8:45 a.m.

A. Approve Bills

- 12/5/2022 Verizon Wireless_____40.01
- 12/5/2022 SWCD Insurance Group(Dec Health)_____302.00
- 12/5/2022 Federal Liabilities_____935.74
- 12/5/2022 State Liabilities_____186.92
- 12/13/2022 John Laszar PFC Cost Share_____3200.00
- 12/13/2022 United States Liability Insurance(Director Liability)____891.00
- 12/14/2022 Statewide Publishing (Notice for Nominations)_____90.00

Edwards made a motion to approve Pending Bills. Seconded by Oyer. Motion carried with 4 directors present at 8:48 am.

C. Approve Staff Time Sheets

It was moved by Hewitt, seconded by Edwards to approve staff time sheets for the following positions: AC/RC

12/8/2022 Sarah Earles (Fall Tree/Fish Bonus)_____1559.57

12/21/2022 Sarah Earles (Mileage)_____283.75

12/22/2022 Sarah Earles _____1471.10

Status of Motion: carried at 8:53 a.m. with 4 directors present.

V. OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES

- Goals of SWCD- Tabled
- NRI Rates-Tabled
- New Hire-Meet to discuss/review January 24th at 8:30

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming events-Livingston County Annual meeting is January 18th and the Conservation Cropping Seminar is also January 18th
- Arvetta Lewis Scholarship Trust Farm Donation-We received \$8,750.00 to be used in Ford County
- Sarah Earles 6 year review-Edwards made a motion to go into closed session to discuss review. Seconded by Hewitt. Closed Session began at 9:15am with 4 directors present.
 - Edwards motioned to reopen and seconded by Oyer at 9:31pm with 4 directors present.
 - Discussion was had and good review for Earles with no changes.

VII. DISTRICT EMPLOYEE REPORTS

AC/RC's REPORT –CSP Payments and Elections are coming up Feb 16th

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE/MISCELLANEOUS –

- Reminder to board members to complete OMA training if you have not already.
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IX. PLAN NEXT MEETING –Monday February 13, 2023 at 8:30am at the Office**IX. ADJOURN-** motion made to adjourn by Edwards and seconded by Oyer with 4 directors present at 9:45 a.m.