



Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District

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MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING August 12th, 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 Kurt Edwards at 8:30 a.m. Member's present were: Kurt Edwards, Brent Hewitt, 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 Oyer, and seconded by Hewitt to approve July 2024 Board Meeting minutes as mailed. Status of Motion: carried at 8:33 a.m. with 3 Directors present.

IV. APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given with the following balances as July 31st, 2024

See attached page

It was moved by Hewitt and Seconded by Oyer to approve the treasurer's reports from 7/01/2024 to 7/31/2024, as presented by AC/RC, Sarah Earles. Motion carried with 3 directors present at 8:37a.m.

A. Approve Bills

- 7/3/24 Verizon Wireless (MIFI Service)_____ 40.01
- 7/5/24 SWCD Insurance(Health and Quarterly Dis)_____ 659.72
- 7/5/24 Elan Financial (Quickbooks, Class, and table cover)_____ 479.47
- 7/8/24 Federal Liabilities_____ 1260.18
- 7/8/24 State Liabilities_____ 237.53

Oyer made a motion to approve Pending Bills. Seconded by Hewitt. Motion carried with 3 directors present at 8:39 am.

B. Approve Staff Time Sheets

- 7/4/24 Sarah Earles_____ 1534.04
- 7/18/24 Sarah Earles_____ 1534.04

Oyer made a motion to approve Staff Time Sheets. Seconded by Hewitt. Motion carried with 3 directors present at 8:47 am.

V. OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES

- Goals of SWCD-Tabled until 2nd employee is hired
- New Hire/Intern-New Hire- reactivate on Indeed for 1 month. Wondering how time off with effect Kadence- Sarah will reach out to Kadence's advisor to discuss.
- Scholarship- table

All programs and services of the Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status or handicap

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming Events-Sarah has a few days off
- 4-H Thank you-received card for JR McMillian
- NACD Letter of Support-Oyer made a motion for Earles to send letter of support to NACD to help them get a grant. Seconded by Hewitt with 3 directors present at 9:09am.
- Section 17 FFA Soil Judging-Lunch- Oyer made a motion to allow Earles to help organize catering and to contribute \$250.00 towards lunch. Seconded by Hewitt with 3 directors present at 9:22am
- PFC Cost Share transfer FY23 Money- We have no projects. Earles requested that we transfer all the remaining FY23 money we have left. Oyer made the motion to allow the transfer. Seconded by Hewitt with 3 directors present at 9:25 am

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.
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IX. PLAN NEXT MEETING –Monday. September 9th, 2024 at 8:30am at the Office.**X. ADJOURN-** motion made to adjourn by Hewitt, Seconded by Oyer with 3 directors present at 9:30 a.m.