



Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District

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MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

May 9, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. REPORT OF COOPERATING AGENCIES

NRCS- N/A

FSA- N/A

AFT- Jake said that AFT will be having a field day on July 28th or 29th on Weed Prevention and Cover Crops. Kenny asked if they would be able to make presentations from that day available for viewing at a later date. Jake said that he will ask.

PF-N/A

PCM- Frank Radermacher is the specialist for this area.

III. APPROVE MINUTES

It was moved by Thorndyke, and seconded by Oyer to approve April 2022 Board Meeting minutes as mailed. Status of Motion: carried at 8:47 a.m. with 5 Directors present

IV. APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given with the following balances as of April 30, 2022

****See attached page****

It was moved by Hewitt and Seconded by Thorndyker to approve the treasurer's reports from 04/01/2022 to 04/30/2022, as presented by AC/RC, Sarah Earles. Motion carried with 5 directors present at 8:51 a.m.

A. Approve Bills

• 4/6/22 Illinois Liabilities	237.60
• 4/6/22 Federal Liabilities	1,166.40
• 4/14/22 Pheasants Forever (1 order)	252.00
• 4/19/22 Ford County Clerk & Recorder (CREP Easement)	63.00
• 4/20/22 Iroq Co SWCD (Tree Sale Expenses)	464.59
• 4/27/22 Hensler Nursery, Inc (Bare-Root Trees)	591.20
• 4/27/22 Winding Creek Nursery (Potted Trees)	4,376.50
• 4/29/22 Verizon Wireless(MIFI Service)	40.01
• 4/29/22 SWCD of IL Insurance (May Health)	263.00

Thorndyke made a motion to approve Pending Bills. Seconded by Edwards. Motion carried with 5 directors present at 8:57am.

B. Company Credit Card

March 2022 Statement Quickbooks and Postage 351.75

Pd 4/14/2022

Thorndyke made a motion to approve Credit Card. Seconded by Edwards. Motion carried with 5 directors present at 8:58am.

C. Approve Staff Time Sheets

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

4/14/2022 Sarah Earles_____1254.40

4/28/2022 Sarah Earles_____1254.40

Status of Motion: carried at 8:59 a.m. with 5 directors present.

V. OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES

- Goals of SWCD- Tabled
 - NRI Rates-Tabled
 - New Hire-Oyer made a motion to advertise the job again increase the starting salary to \$30,000-\$34,000 (\$14.42-\$16.35 per hour) Health Insurance is covered 100% for the employee. Seconded by Thorndyke.
- Status of Motion: Carried at 9:32 am with 5 directors present

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming events- None at this time
- Operation Money- Should be getting the money this month
- Cover Crop Day-Tabled
- OMA Training-Website is back up and there is a new way to sign in with very detailed information on the website.
- Ford County Fair- Received sign up for a booth at the Ford County Fair. Edwards made a motion to set up for \$75.00 at the fair. Seconded by Hewitt. Status of Motion: Carried at 9:39am with 5 directors present

VII. DISTRICT EMPLOYEE REPORTS

AC/RC's REPORT -

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE/MISCELLANEOUS –

- Reminder to board members to complete OMA training if you haven't already.
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IX. PLAN NEXT MEETING –Monday June 13, 2022 at 8:30am

IX. ADJOURN- motion made to adjourn by Thorndyke and seconded by Edwards with 5 directors present at 9:44 a.m.