



Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District

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MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING September 12, 2022

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 Kenny Hawthorne at 8:33 a.m. Member's present were: Kenny Hawthorne, Jerry Oyer, Brent Hewitt, and Kurt Edwards. District employee: Sarah Earles. Guests: Jake Haar-AFT

II. REPORT OF COOPERATING AGENCIES

NRCS- N/A

FSA- N/A

AFT- Jake said that the ICCI Deadline has be extended. He will also be having some shop talk workshops in November/ December. He would like to have 4 of them. Subjects for Soil Health, Agronomy, Equipment, etc.

PF-N/A

PCM- N/A

III. APPROVE MINUTES

It was moved by Hewitt, and seconded by Edwards to approve August 2022 Board Meeting minutes as mailed. Status of Motion: carried at 8:40 a.m. with 4 Directors present

IV. APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

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

****See attached page****

It was moved by Thorndyke and Seconded by Hewitt to approve the treasurer's reports from 08/01/2022 to 08/31/2022, as presented by AC/RC, Sarah Earles. Motion carried with 4 directors present at 8:43 a.m.

A. Approve Bills

- 8/1/22 Verizon Wireless (MIFI Service)_____40.01
- 8/2/22 Swcd Insurance(Sarah Health Ins)_____302.00
- 8/3/22 Federal Liabilities_____777.60
- 8/3/22 State Liabilities_____158.40
- 8/10/22 Franklin Co SWCD(FY21 PFC Transfer)_____5,800.00
- 8/10/22 Stephenson Co SWCD(FY21 PFC Transfer)_____3,200.00
- 8/11/22 Roger Wycoff FY21 No Till Cost Share_____3,200.00
- 8/11/22 Cardmember Service(SC Hotel and Auction Items)_____456.43

Edwards made a motion to approve Pending Bills. Seconded by Oyer. Motion carried with 4 directors present at 8:45am.

C. Approve Staff Time Sheets

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

8/4/2022 Sarah Earles _____1254.40

8/11/2022 Sarah Earles (Mileage)_____449.38

8/18/2022 Sarah Earles_____1254.40

Status of Motion: carried at 8:48 a.m. with 4 directors present.

V. OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES

- Goals of SWCD- Tabled for planning discussion
- NRI Rates-Tabled-
- New Hire-Discussion was had on hiring full time AC/RC- Edwards made a motion to post the job again November 1st with the pay range of \$17-19 an hour. Oyer seconded the motion. Status of Motion: carried at 9:30am with 4 directors present. Discussion was had on increasing pay per hour for AC/RC-Earles. Hewitt made a motion to increase with next payroll to \$23.60/hour. Seconded by Oyer. Status of Motion: Carried at 9:35am with 4 directors present.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- Upcoming events- None Currently
- AISWCD Annual Meeting-Kenny has submitted the vote for Ford County
- CRP/Admin Agreement-Edwards made a motion to sign the Admin/CRP Agreement. Seconded by Hewitt. Status of Motion: Carried at 9:48am with 4 directors present.

VII. DISTRICT EMPLOYEE REPORTS

AC/RC's REPORT – CRP is about finished for this sign up

VIII. CORRESPONDENCE/MISCELLANEOUS –

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

IX. PLAN NEXT MEETING –Tuesday October 11, 2022 at 8:30am at the Backwoods Diner in Roberts

IX. ADJOURN- motion made to adjourn by Edwards and seconded by Hewitt with 4 directors present at 9:52 a.m.