



Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District

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MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

July 8, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

The monthly board meeting of the Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District was held at the USDA Building, Paxton, IL and was called to order by Hawthorne at 6:00 p.m. Members present were: Kenny Hawthorne, Todd Lee, and Kurt Edwards. District employee: Sarah Earles.

II. REPORT OF COOPERATING AGENCIES

NRCS-NA

FSA- NA

PCM- NA

III. APPROVE MINUTES

It was moved by Edwards, and seconded by Lee to approve May 2019 Board Meeting minutes as mailed.

Amendments: None

Status of Motion: carried at 6:10 p.m. with 3 Directors present

IV. APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given with the following balances as of June 30, 2019

****See attached pages****

It was moved by Edwards and Seconded by Lee to approve the treasurer's reports from 5/1/2019 to 6/30/2019, as presented by AC/RC, Sarah Earles. Motion carried with 3 directors present at 6:15 p.m.

A. Approve Bills

• 5/1/19 SWCD Insurance-May	1031.00
• 5/1/19 First National Bank(Safe Deposit Box)	18.00
• 5/8/19 Federal Liabilities	631.94
• 5/8/19 State Liabilities	130.68
• 5/8/19 AISWCD(Summer Conference)	190.00
• 5/14/19 Ford County Fair	75.00
• 5/14/19 Sarah Earles(Mileage)	216.34
• 6/4/19 SWCD Insurance-June	1031.00
• 6/4/19 Verizon	40.01
• 6/6/19 State Liabilities	208.61
• 6/6/19 Federal Liabilities	1017.80
• 6/18/19 Pheasants Forever-seed	80.10
• 6/27/19 Verizon	40.01

B. Company Credit Card

- No Balance

It was moved by Lee and 2nd by Edwards to pay pending bills

Status of Motion: Carried at 6:33 p.m. With 3 directors present

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

C. Approve Staff Time Sheets

It was move by Lee, seconded by Edwards to approve staff time sheets for the following positions: AC/RC –Earles

5/2/19 Sarah Earles	\$1039.68
5/16/19 Sarah Earles	\$1231.07
5/30/19 Sarah Earles	\$1039.69
6/13/19 Sarah Earles	\$1039.68
6/27/19 Sarah Earles	\$1039.68

Status of Motion: carried at 6:37 p.m. with 3 directors present

V. OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES

- Electronic Recycling-Sarah has been told by multiple recycling companies that Ford County didn't sign recycling contract so they can't help us. Next step is to contact the Ford County Environmental board to see what this is all about.

VI. GRANTS AND FUNDING UPDATES

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- Fall Fish sale date is 9/27/19 and Tree sale date is 10/18/19
- Meeting with Ford county board went good and we have been approved to get \$7,000.00 from them.
- FY 20- Presented to the board. Board would like the numbers to be rounded out to whole numbers instead of using actual numbers like we have in past years. Sarah will work on new budget for August meeting.
- Summer Conference is 7/15 and 7/16.
- Luc Meeting for employees was held on June 27th. We will need a full meeting to vote on dues for this year.
- Health insurance has gone up. Sarah called IPG in Rantoul and no quote was given because it is not open enrollment time that is in November. Kurt suggested that Sarah call Gibson City to try for a quote.
- Ford County FSA had an emergency board meeting on June 18th for the STORM report to report the excessive rain that Ford County has had since March 1st.
- NRCS computers; districts are only allowed 1 NRCS seat. That is all we have right now. If in the future we hire another employee, we will have to buy a computer and install citrix for us to access NRCS files and software.

VIII. DISTRICT EMPLOYEE REPORTS

- A. **AC/RC's REPORT** – There have been quite a few prevented plant cover crop acres used in Ford County and a lot of PFC applications for cover crops.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS –

X. CORRESPONDENCE/MISCELLANEOUS – N/A

XI. PLAN NEXT MEETING –August 12, 2019 at 6:00pm

XII. ADJOURN- motion made to adjourn by Edwards and seconded by Lee with 3 directors present at 7:26 p.m.