



Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District

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MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

August 10, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

The monthly board meeting of the Ford County Soil and Water Conservation District was held via zoom and was called to order by Hawthorne at 5:30 p.m. Members present were: Kenny Hawthorne, Jerry Oyer, Adam Thorndyke, and Kurt Edwards. District employee: Sarah Earles. AFT: Jean Brokish

II. REPORT OF COOPERATING AGENCIES

NRCS-Dennis emailed report.

AFT- Jean reported that Ford County Contract was just under \$5,000. We have received \$1,000 so far. Fiscal year ends September 30th. Jean said we can claim STAR farmers, Transect Surveys, Meetings, and any outreach we do. Jean reported that they are hoping to get a technician from National Fish & Wildlife. Request for proposal not released yet. AFT is not applying for Fishers & Farmers Grant, may be something for the district to look into. Deadline for fall covers for spring savings will be in December, post cards will be sent out.

FSA- NA

PF-N/A

III. APPROVE MINUTES

It was moved by Edwards, and seconded by Oyer to approve July 13, 2020 Board Meeting minutes as mailed.

Status of Motion: carried at 5:55 p.m. with 4 Directors present

IV. APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's report was given with the following balances as of July 31, 2020

****See attached page****

It was moved by Thorndyke and Seconded by Edwards to approve the treasurer's reports from 7/1/2020 to 7/31/2020, as presented by AC/RC, Sarah Earles. Motion carried with 4 directors present at 5:57 p.m.

A. Approve Bills

- 7/6/20 Verizon Wireless (MIFI)_____ 40.01
- 7/6/20 SWCD Insurance Group (July Health and Disability)_ 445.19
- 7/6/20 The News-Gazette (Notice of Elections)_____ 115.08
- 7/10/20 State Liabilities_____ 145.15
- 7/10/20 Federal Liabilities_____ 710.64

B. Company Credit Card

- May Statement-----None

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

Status of Motion: Carried at 5:58 p.m. With 4 directors present

C. Approve Staff Time Sheets

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

7/9/20 Sarah Earles _____ 1,070.64

7/23/20 Sarah Earles _____ 1,070.64

Status of Motion: carried at 5:59 p.m. with 4 directors present

V. OLD BUSINESS- UPDATES

- Electronic Recycling-Tabled until we hear from the county for 2021
- Goals- Tabled
- NRI-Tabled

VI. GRANTS AND FUNDING UPDATES

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- Budget- keep working on this for next meeting

VIII. DISTRICT EMPLOYEE REPORTS

- A. **AC/RC's REPORT** – Conservation desktop is not working for CRP. Sarah reported it is taking her a long time to write contracts.

IX. COMMITTEE REPORTS –

X. CORRESPONDENCE/MISCELLANEOUS –

XI. PLAN NEXT MEETING –Friday September 4, 2020 at 1:00pm

XII. ADJOURN- motion made to adjourn by Thorndyke and seconded by Edwards with 4 directors present at 6:30 p.m.