



# SWITZERLAND COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Switzerland County SWCD  
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## Supervisors Present

Ken Briggs  
Chase Kelso  
John Schroer

## SWCD Present

Cheryl Furnish  
Katie Collier

## Guests Present

## Not Present

David Schuler  
Shawna Andrew

## NRCS Present

## Previous Board Minutes

The minutes from the September meeting were reviewed. Chase moved and John seconded to approve the minutes and all were in favor. Board members present signed the minutes.

## Financial Report

The claims were reviewed. Chase moved and John seconded to pay the claims and all were in favor. Board members present signed the account payable voucher register.

## Election Committee

The election committee was formed consisting of Ken, Cheryl and Katie. Jeannette Andrew's supervisor seat that is currently being filled by Shawna Andrew is up for election at the March annual meeting. Shawna does want to run for election of the new 3 year term. The election committee names and election nominee will be turned into the state by the November 1st and December 1st deadline. As always, if others are interested they can be nominated from the floor.

## Forage Meeting and Cost Share

Cheryl discussed forage sampling with the board and asked if they would like to cover the cost of 2 samples per producer for a workshop like was done last year. Jill Richards will be taking the samples and sending them off for analysis. The workshop to go over the sample findings and what is needed for producers to increase the quality of their forages will be held on November 1st in Bear Branch.

## Annual Meeting

The board discussed possible speakers and ideas for the annual meeting in March. Katie will coordinate the date around school activities for early March. Award winners and a speaker will be finalized at the December meeting.

## Forage Workshop and Women's Learning Circle

Two landowners in the county took advantage of the forage testing cost share from the SWCD. The workshop to discuss the results will be November 1st at Bear Branch Fire Department. The Women's Learning Circle workshop that was scheduled for October at Old Timbers was postponed till April.

## Pasture Cost Share

A producer came in with bills for pasture seeding cost share in October after the money had been allocated. This person was the first person in the office asking about the cost share in January and was told to bring in receipts to be paid. Chase moved and John seconded to pay the cost share amount of \$500 and all were in favor.

**Indian-Kentuck Watershed**

To date approximately \$26,000 has been paid to Switzerland County landowners for cost share practices. All of the \$242,000 has been allocated and there is a waiting list. The new grant for additional funding has been turned in to IDEM and HHH will know by January if the grant will be awarded for another cycle.

**Technician Report**

No report.

**NRCS**

November 16th is the cut off date for the first round of signup for EQIP.

**Other**

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:25. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 5th at 7:00 pm at the SWCD office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Collier