



SWITZERLAND COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Switzerland County SWCD
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Supervisors Present

Ken Briggs
Chase Kelso
David Schuler
Jeanette Andrew

SWCD Present

Cheryl Furnish
Katie Collier

Guests Present

Mark Thomas

Not Present

John Schroer

NRCS Present

Matt Jarvis

Previous Board Minutes

The minutes from the November meeting were reviewed. David moved and Jeanette seconded to approve the minutes and all were in favor. Board members present signed the minutes.

Financial Report

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

Holiday Office Closings

All county offices will be closed on December 23rd, 26th, 30th and January 2nd. If the SWCD office is closed in between those times Katie will leave her cell number on the door.

Audit Committee

John and Ken will serve on the audit committee. They will review the annual financial report prior to the annual meeting and it being turned in to the state board of accounts.

Election Committee Report

David Schuler was turned into the state for reelection in March. People are welcome to nominate from the floor as well during the annual meeting.

Region Meeting

Matt gave a recap of the region meeting that was held the night before in Columbus. The group discussed the CWI grant funding process and those funded this year.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting will be held on March 23rd at the Jack Sullivan Center in Vevay. The Rolling Pin will cater. Katie will brainstorm ideas for a speaker and the board will need to pick award winners at the January meeting.

Internal Controls

The District is allowed to turn in the County's Internal Control policy when it is completed to the state. Katie will add a few documents that pertain to the District.

Indian-Kentuck Watershed

The steering committee met on Wednesday, November 30th at the Jefferson County SWCD office. Three landowners have been paid a total of \$7601.63. All of these landowners have been serviced out of the Switzerland County SWCD office. Cheryl went over the allocated funds spreadsheet with the board and told them that several large payments would soon be made to landowners in Ripley County for cover crops.

Technician Report

Cheryl gave the board a handout with the equipment yearly totals. The no-till was used for 62 acres and the Brillion for 121 acres. The no-till will be moved to the fairgrounds this week to be stored for the winter. Two cost share payments have been paid to date through Indian Creek money that the board received. One was for a HUAP and one was for a waterer with and HUAP.

NRCS

Matt told the board that NRCS has released the new CSP program with the signup to end on February 3rd. EQIP signup is running now until January 28th. Matt is working with Kyle from Extension on a high tunnels workshop that will take place on December 15th. Half of the cover crop transect has been completed.

Other

The fence and watering systems workshop is December 20th, January 9th is the beef update meeting and February 2nd is the seeding meeting. Mark Thomas spoke about his work on CRP waterways in surrounding counties and the EPRI Water Quality Trading Program. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:35. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 11th at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Collier