

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOIL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, June 10, 2009, 8:00 p.m.**

Next meeting to be held Wednesday, July 8, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

The Board of Directors of the Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District held their regular monthly board meeting on Wednesday, June 10, 2009 at 8:00 p.m. at the USDA Service Center in Hillsboro, Illinois. Chairman Tony Krager called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m. Roll call was as follows:

Present:

Directors: Dave Pastrovich, Ken Suslee, Carl Bergman, and Tony Krager

Associate Directors: Dan Eickhoff

Staff: Kris Reynolds, Dave Hobson, CJ Liddell and Melissa Cauble

Absent:

Directors: Dave Schluckebier

Associate Directors: Dick Lyons, Dan Huber, Dennis Hand and Brad Young

Staff:

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. No changes or additions were noted.

Financial Statements and Approval of Bills: The board reviewed the financial statements. A copy of those statements is on file with these minutes in the SWCD office. No changes or corrections were noted.

Melissa then presented the bills for payment. The checks were signed by Dave Pastrovich and Melissa Cauble. **Carl Bergman made a motion to accept the minutes of the April meeting and the April financial statements and bill payments as presented.**

2nd by: Dave Pastrovich

Carried: Yes

Staff Reports: All employees presented written reports which are filed as part of these minutes. **Dave Pastrovich made a motion to accept the reports as presented.**

2nd by: Ken Suslee

Carried: Yes

Natural Area Guardians Report: Kris reported the group had set a date for their summer field day tour on Saturday, June 21, 2009 at the Hillsboro Aquatics and Fitness Center.

Kris also reported that the group were keeping in contact with those installing the sewer lines along the intended Kee Trail between Butler and Hillsboro.

OLD BUSINESS

C-2000 Programs: Kris began by reporting the Tester, Storm, and Anderson projects were finished up and he was awaiting bills on those. He submitted the Tester project for amendment due to a change in material type. **Ken Suslee made a motion to approve the amendment on the Tester farm.**

2nd by: Dave Pastrovich

Carried: Yes

He also stated there were several projects which were started, and he had one application to submit for approval.

Next, Kris reported he had requested the Department of Agriculture move the remaining special project money (\$3,015) into regular CPP. He stated well sealing projects could still be done using regular CPP money.

Kris then submitted a well-sealing application for approval. It was received from Harold Jurgena. **Dave Pastrovich made a motion to approve the well sealing application on Jurgena.**

2nd by: Ken Suslee

Carried: Yes

Kris finished up by stating the following:

- He had taken approximately six applications for new conservation projects
- In July he would be making the FY 2010 CPP allocation requests
- He and Melissa would be doing the Tran-Sect survey the following week.

CRP, EQIP, CSP, Etc.: CJ began by stating that he had received three applications for the Organic program contained within the EQIP program and he was working on getting the applications ready to submit to NRCS.

CJ also reported that the RC&D coordinator had contacted him in reference to some Conservation Innovation **Grants** for implementing on-farm wind turbines.

Finally CJ reported there was no news on CSP.

Budget and Insurance Issues: Melissa reported that if the governor's "Doomsday" budget were to pass, that would mean a 50% decrease in next year's allocations. The governor is asking citizens to encourage legislators to pass a full-years budget funded by a 1.5% income tax increase.

Contribution Agreement: Kris reported that work is continuing on CRP contracts and that we may be ready to submit for a payment in July.

Equipment Report: Dave Pastrovich reported he had replaced the load-baring tires on the Phillips Harrow. Staff members reported the TurboTill was seeing some use.

Summer Conference: Melissa collected registration forms from the board and staff members. She reminded the board that July 22, 23 and 24 are the dates for the conference.

NEW BUSINESS

Prevailing Wage Ordinance: Melissa reminded the board it was once again time to pass the Prevailing Wage Ordinance. She stated County Clerk Sandy Leitheiser would once again pick up the cost for the ad to publicize the ordinance. **Ken Suslee made a motion to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance.**

2nd by: Dave Pastrovich

Carried: Yes

Employee Time Sheets: Dave Pastrovich made a motion to approve the time sheets as presented.

2nd by: Ken Suslee

Carried: Yes

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Montgomery County SWCD will be held Wednesday, July 8, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

Adjourn: At 9:58 p.m. Dave Pastrovich made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

2nd by: Carl Bergman

Carried: Yes

Signed:

Dave Schluckebier, Sec/Treas

Date