

FLOYD COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING Monday, February 3, 2025 @ 5:00 p.m.

Present: The Board
Tom King
Melanie Palaisa
Ron Wathen
Matt Payne

Office Staff:
Angel Jackson, Director / Educator

Guests: Rachel Boucher / NRCS

Chairman, Tom King, called the regular meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. at Newlin Hall (Floyd Co. 4-H Fairgrounds / 2818 Green Valley Road, New Albany).

Melanie Palaisa motioned to approve the January meeting minutes. Matt Payne seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes approved.

The Treasurer's report was given: Savings Account: General Savings - \$17,236.20. Checking Account: General Checking - \$72,164.70.

Matt Payne motioned to approve the financial report. Melanie Palaisa seconded the motion. All were in favor and the financial report approved.

Guest reports started with Rachel Boucher sharing a message from the state conservationist regarding funding. Federal funding of Farm Bill programs will continue with obligated and existing contracts. Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) monies are on pause for new and existing CSP & EQIP contracts. Also, a pause on loans and grants funded through IRA. Guidance to follow. Rachel also shared that avian (bird) flu has been detected in all 50 states, that cautioned should be exercised when visiting any facility, and no site visits should happen at a location with a confirmed case.

There was no Old Business to revisit.

New Business started with reviewing roles for the Annual Meeting. The program for the evening was shared with supervisors along with any scripts they would be reading.

Angel shared that the CWI reporting for the district's Invasive grant was completed in the Grants Management System (GMS) and the Annual Financial Report had been completed and audited.



The Annual Plan of Work was reviewed at the January meeting and briefly revisited during this meeting. Supervisors were asked to bring ideas, updates, and suggestions to the March meeting for finalization.

Under Other Business, the district's Savings Account at PNC Bank is currently abbreviated as Floyd Co. SWCD. For satisfying PNC Bank, Matt Payne confirmed that SWCD is an abbreviation for Soil & Water Conservation District.

Claims presented to the board: Claims paid by District: -\$0. Claims sent directly to County for payment: -\$0. Claims paid by the District reimbursed by the County: -\$45.65 – Amazon Capital Services – office supplies; -\$89.99 – Jay-C Food Store – Annual Meeting chicken. Grant: -\$416.93 – Sam's Food & Spirits – Annual Meeting food; -\$41.21 – Indiana Department of Revenue – 2024 sales tax due; -\$50.00 – IDEA – 2025 membership for Angel. CWI Invasive: -\$0.

With no other business to discuss, the board moved to end the meeting.

Ron Wathen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Matt Payne seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.n	n.	
This meeting preceded the Annual	Meeting.	
Respectfully,		
Angel Jackson Director / Educator		
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