



**FLOYD COUNTY SOIL AND WATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday, January 8, 2026 @ 3:00 p.m.**

**Present: The Board**

Tom King  
Ron Wathen  
Matt Payne

**Office Staff:**

Angel Jackson, Director / Educator

**Guests:**

Eliza Hudson / NRCS

\*\* Prior to the start of the meeting, a financial audit of the district's finances was performed by supervisors Matt Payne and Melanie Palaisa. With no issues found, they signed off on the AFR. Melanie was unable to stay for the meeting.

Chairman, Tom King, called the regular meeting to order at 3:00 pm. in the district office. Due to a scheduling conflict, we were unable to have the meeting in a conference room with livestreaming equipment.

Ron Wathen motioned to approve the December 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 - \$17,237.92. Checking Account: General Checking - \$67,138.64.

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

Guest reports started with Angel sharing Drew McCuthan's NRCS report that included application deadlines for FY2026 cost share opportunities as well as EQIP, CSP, and CRP highlights. Drew also sent a publication to share about Water Effects on Livestock Performance. Laura Fribley's DSS report was shared by Angel. The update included deadlines for financial reporting and CWI reporting, new supervisor training opportunities, and information about ISDA Community Listening Sessions. Eliza shared highlights from the Farmers Helping Hellbenders fall newsletter and that potential NRCS funding for RCPP is still undecided.

Under Old Business there were a couple of items to address. Melanie Palaisa asked that Angel share the response from Cynthia Barger of Trust Indiana about questions the board had last month. Cynthia's email gave answers about any fees, penalties, or withdraw clauses. Angel also shared Laura Fribley's reply about succession planning workshops or trainings in 2026 at Melanie's request.

New Business started with going over supervisor roles for the Annual Meeting. Angel asked the board for a motion to purchase the meal and awards for the annual meeting.

Matt Payne made a motion to pay for catering of annual meeting meal up to \$650. Ron Wathen 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor and the motion approved.



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Ron Wathen made a motion to pay for awards and miscellaneous supplies for the annual meeting up to \$150. Matt Payne 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor and the motion approved.

The next item for new business was designating a depository for the district.

Matt Payne made a motion to designate PNC Bank as a depository for the district. Ron Wathen 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor and the motion approved.

Ron Wathen made a motion to designate Trust Indiana as a depository for the district. Matt Payne 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor and the motion approved.

The Review of District Policies was not discussed as all board members were not present.

Since the last meeting, R.I.T.A. Technician Cole Flatt asked about providing input to the Annual Plan of Work. The board was fine with receiving Cole's feedback and making it part of the APW.

IDEA membership dues was not discussed as the invoice had not been received prior to the meeting.

Other Business included Angel asking the board for permission to allow the Commissioner's Admin or the County Auditor to approval payroll timesheets.

Matt Payne made a motion to designate Suzanna Worrall (Commissioner's Admin) or alternate Diana Topping (County Auditor) to approve digital timesheets for director Angel Jackson. Ron Wathen 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All were in favor and the motion approved.

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: -\$0. Grant: -\$250 – Sarah Bacher – CISMA secretary stipend. CWI Invasive: -\$2,299.00 – Budget Printing – Homeowner's guide printing.

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Respectfully,

Angel Jackson  
Director / Educator

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