

April 3, 2014

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Thursday, April 3, 2014, at 9:20 a.m.

Those present were Sam Hagest, Loren Christman, LuAnne Stahly, Carolyn Clark, Dana Coots, Tami Kruer, David Trotter, Mike Johnson, Jennifer Kipper, Laura Fribley, and Melanie Davis.

Sam asked for additions or corrections to the March minutes. Loren moved to approve the minutes as written. Dana seconded and motion carried.

The Financial Report was reviewed. Luanne moved to approve the report; Carolyn seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Grant updates:

319 Silver Creek –Melanie submitted two invoices for payment. Kathleen Hagan was in last week for a site visit.

319 14 Mile Creek – Written approval of the QAPP has been received. Melanie is continuing development of project web site; it is also complete. FSA furnished a mailing list of landowners in the watershed. The first newsletter is at the printer and should be ready to mail out next week. Payment of Invoice #1 received on 3/7. Melanie contacted Frank Glover about his “Cleanup Tunnel Mill Road” project and the possibility of partnering with him for a stream sweep. He was not receptive to the idea. Melanie contacted First Christian Church, Jeffersonville, about holding a stream sweep along Lancassange Creek at the back of the church property. They were receptive; date has been set for 8/9/14. Supplies have been ordered for E.coli testing that Oak Park CD will be doing. The OPCD board was hesitant to provide the supplies after Bryan Wallace left his position there. Scott County SWCD will be putting an article on the grant in their upcoming newsletter.

CWI 2013 – No updates.

Indiana American Water 2014 – Melanie submitted an application for funding a rain barrel painting contest for Clark and Floyd County elementary schools. Requested \$1,376.98 to purchase barrels and painting supplies. Awards will be made in April.

Contribution Agreement – letters have been sent to landowners involved. Some have called in to set appointments with Lynn.

The District’s Work Plan was reviewed, and items were noted that need to be addressed soon.

No other old business.

NEW BUSINESS

The Cooperative Working Agreement was reviewed.

Laura presented ideas from other counties and her own experience for supplementing District employees' salaries. Discussion was held. Loren moved to invite Scott Lewis, County Council attorney, for a meeting with the SWCD board at his convenience. Dana seconded and motion carried.

Laura announced that the next Leadership Institute will be September 5 and 6 in French Lick. The topic will be Board Development. There will be another Chair/Vice-Chair summit on August 26th, dealing with human resources topics. NACD will be holding their summer meeting in Indiana this year, July 21 and 22.

No other New Business.

STAFF REPORTS

Jennifer Kipper, NRCS District Conservationist, presented a written report of her activities.

Tami Kruer, Executive Director/Education Coordinator, presented a written report of her activities. She also reported that three persons have called regarding the March2Recovery funds for tornado damage. She has been working on an application for the funds and plans to send a news release out the general public. She stated that the Community Foundation has requested that the District's scholarship award follow the same timeline as the other scholarships they administer. This bumps the due date for applicants up to next week, and notification to the Foundation by the end of the month.

Melanie Davis, Administrative Coordinator, presented a written report of her activities.

David Trotter, Watershed Technician, presented a written report of his activities.

Lynn Miller, Urban Resources Technician, reported that he has met with Bryan Wallace, and he feels that Bryan will be able to resolve many of the problems with the construction sites in the City of Jeff. Bryan is following up on what Lynn has inspected. There are still problems with County sites due in large part to the difficulty in communicating with Brian Dixon, the County's MS4 representative. River Ridge sites are creating problems because some have 2 to 3 permits due to the rapid pace of development. Bryan Wallace is meeting with Dan Perez today to discuss that issue.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

With no further business, Sam adjourned the meeting at 12 noon.

Melanie Davis, Secretary