

January 31, 2013

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Thursday, January 31, 2013, at 8:30 a.m.

Those present were Sam Hagest, Dana Coots, Loren Christman, Luanne Stahly, Carolyn Clark, Tami Kruer, David Trotter, Matt Bell, and Melanie Davis.

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

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

OLD BUSINESS

Grant updates: *CWI 2013* – Participating counties meet on Friday, 1/25, to review the participant application and ranking sheet. Details of who would be responsible for various tasks of the grant were also discussed. *319 Fourteen Mile Creek/Goose Creek* – Melanie spoke with Kathleen Hagan on 1/14 and clarified a couple of items on the application. The first round of reviews was to be 1/15; the second, the following week. *Silver Creek Watershed* – IDEM has paid all invoices to date. Melanie prepared and distributed 1099s for all cost-share participants of 2012. The sixth and final newsletter of the project was mailed mid-December. Results from the second professional water and macroinvertebrate sampling that was completed in October 2012, were received earlier this month.

The new copy machine is working fine. Melanie called and canceled the contract with Commonwealth Technology as of January 31st. Staff will continue using the old machine until supplies for it run out.

Annual Meeting was discussed. Tami is preparing a script for supervisors to follow. Scott Ham will speak briefly on District activities; David will follow with information on the Silver Creek grant. Approximately 90 people have made reservations for the meal. Sam is the only nominee to date for the election. If no others are nominated from the floor, then a vote may be taken by a show of hands, otherwise ballots must be used and counted. Melanie presented copies of the AFR for supervisors to review. The report is due to SBOA on January 31st; to ISDA by February 28th. Supervisors requested that staff check with on the legalities of the District having a savings account, and on what the interest rates are for savings accounts before the next board meeting.

Carolyn mentioned that we need to start work on a new business plan. Staff will check with Laura Fribley to see what dates she has available to facilitate.

No other Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Matt stated that the Floyd County SWCD board has requested that their half of the accumulated QPI funds be distributed to the Floyd County Stormwater Dept. since they are responsible for paying Kevin Feder's salary. Loren moved that 10% of the total QPI funds be kept by Clark County as an administrative fee, and that ½ the remaining funds, less materials, be sent to FC Stormwater Dept. Carolyn seconded, and motion carried.

Billing the MS4 communities for Phase II assistance was discussed. The City of Jeffersonville has questioned whether its fee for 2013 will increase. After discussion, it was decided to review the figures for the Phase II program from its inception to date, broken down by MS4, at the next board meeting.

Johnson's Lawn Care submitted a bid of \$599.00 to mow the grass in the Exhibit Area this year. Loren moved to accept the bid; Luanne seconded, and motion carried.

Maintenance of the no-till drills was discussed. Supervisors decided to make repairs to both drills and run them through this season before determining whether to sell the old drill. The old drill can be used only for beans and wheat at present; the new drill for all crops.

No other New Business.

STAFF REPORTS

Jennifer Kipper, NRCS District Conservationist, was not present.

Tami Krueger, Executive Director/Education Coordinator, gave a brief report.

Matt Bell, Urban Conservation Specialist, gave a brief report.

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

David Trotter, Watershed Technician, gave a brief report.

CONSERVATION PLANS FOR BOARD APPROVAL/SIGNATURES

None.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Region Meeting will be held March 7th in North Vernon. March board meeting rescheduled to 3/14/13 due to conflict with this meeting.

Reminder of Crop Production Workshop, 2/5/13, at The Pines Evergreen Room, Seymour.

With no further business, Sam adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Melanie Davis, Secretary