

June 6, 2016

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Thursday, June 2, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. Those present were Sam Hagest, Dana Coots, Carolyn Clark, Luanne Stahly, Loren Christman, Tami Kruer, Jennifer Kipper, Mike Johnson, Laura Fribley, and Melanie Davis.

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

Sam asked for questions on the Financial Report. Luanne moved to approve the report. Dana seconded and motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Grant updates: 319 14 Mile Creek – Melanie submitted the WMP for approval on 5/17/16, and submitted a letter of intent to apply for implementation on 5/23/16.

4H Fair – A new sign for the exhibit entrance has been purchased. The old sign will need to be removed and the new one installed. New exhibit building construction was discussed. Ace Builders submitted a bid for \$6,800 to construct a metal building on the current concrete foundation. Tami has been unable to confirm with Tony Jackson, City of Charlestown, about that a building permit or a State building design release is required. Supervisors will consult with Dan Cristiani to see what permits have been required in the past for construction on the fairgrounds. Luanne spoke with Chris Jackson; Cristiani will take care of dismantling the current exhibit building. Loren moved to appropriate \$7,800 for construction of a new building, removal of the current building, rental of a POD, and installation of electric. Luanne seconded and motion carried. A workable option for replacing the fish tank has not been found; staff will obtain Dry Loc paint and re-paint the interior. The July meeting date was moved to June 30th to provide time to get the exhibit area cleaned up for the fair. Clean-up will start at 8 a.m.; meeting will occur after.

Laura Fribley spoke briefly on Internal Controls. Certification that Internal Controls have been established must be filed by March 1, 2017. She emphasized that this is a learning process for everyone, and that it should be clearer what the SBOA is looking for once districts that have their Internal Controls in place are audited, and feedback is given. Supervisors asked Laura to facilitate the development of Clark County's document; Laura agreed to do so. The Internal Control video will be viewed at the August board meeting. Establishing a food policy was discussed. Staff will develop and draft policy to be presented at the next board meeting. Laura stated the District supervisors are covered by a blanket bond carried by ISDA-Division of Soil Conservation; staff is not, and must be bonded separately.

Tami provided a copy of the 2017 budget that was submitted to the County.

MS4 Program Updates – Tami reported that the City of Jeffersonville is pleased with the assistance they are receiving from the District. A complaint was made to IDEM regarding Sunset Hills subdivision recently; the issue has yet to be resolved.

Tami emailed the landfill inspector, Mark McQuory, regarding notifying Lynn when his next inspection will occur so that Lynn may accompany him. He stated that he would notify Lynn.

No other old business.

NEW BUSINESS

The deadline to nominate landowners for the River Friendly Farmer award is approaching. Possible nominees were discussed. Staff will research the nominees and make recommendation to the board before the deadline.

Laura encouraged the District to apply for a 2017 CWI grant. Changes have been made to simplify the application process. Rules have been changed to now allow districts to apply individually if a valid reason is presented.

Purdue Extension has requested sponsorship of the 2016 4H Soil & Water Conservation trophy from the District. Cost of sponsorship is \$29. Loren moved to sponsor the trophy; Luanne seconded and motion passed.

Due to recent problems in landowners returning the drill in a timely manner, not turning in readings, and not cleaning the drill out, when renting it. Charging \$100 deposit for not supplying readings or cleaning the drill was considered; to be applied to the bill if things are done. Another suggestion was to have the renter initial that the drill is clean before taking it off the grounds. Staff will prepare a draft revision for the next board meeting.

Ideas for the December 2016 Christmas meal were discussed. Crazy Ladies Catering, LLC, of Jefferson County was suggested to prepare the meal; staff will contact.

No other New Business.

STAFF REPORTS

Jennifer Kipper, NRCS District Conservationist, submitted a written report of her activities, and highlighted some of those.

Tami Kruer, Executive Director/Education Coordinator, presented a written report of her activities. She also reported that she attended a meeting recently hosted by the White River Initiative regarding their "Clear Choices-Clean Water" program. The program offers water quality and stormwater management publications and outreach tools. Sponsorships can be obtained to use the materials, however, they are pricey. Tami suggested the possibility of the SWAC obtaining a partnership; Laura suggested applying for CWI funds for a marketing person that would work with several districts; staff will research both ideas further. She reported that Lynn Miller continues to inspect the Star Hill Road project. Some issues Lynn has noted have not been taken care of.

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

Lynn Miller, Urban Resources Technician, was not present for a report.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

With no further business, Sam adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Melanie Davis, Secretary