

May 6, 2016

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Thursday, May 5, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. Those present were Sam Hagest, Dana Coots, Loren Christman, Tami Kruer, Jennifer Kipper, 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.

Sam asked for questions on the Financial Report. Cost of soil tests and changing price of tests was discussed. Discussion was tabled. Dana moved to approve the report. Loren seconded and motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Grant updates: 319 14 Mile Creek – Work continues on addressing comments received on the WMP. The Notice of Intent to apply for a 2017 implementation grant must be made by June 1, 2016. The WMP does not have to be completed before a letter is submitted, but has to be before an implementation grant is awarded. CWI 2015 – Melanie will be attending a meeting next week on the status of the grant. CWI 2017 – Melanie will be attending a meeting on 5/18 that will provide guidance and group discussion of the grants.

4H Fair – Constructing a new building to replace the grain bin and storage shed was discussed. Supervisors and staff visited the exhibit area to take measurements and discuss options for design. Sam will contact the contractor he knows to have him look at the site and make recommendations. Options for repairing or replacing the fish tank were discussed. Loren spoke with Kopp's Lake regarding the tank, but they could offer no feasible ideas. It was suggested that Aquatic Control, Seymour, IN, might be able to assist with ideas; staff will contact them. Melanie stated that she had contacted Coast to Coast Advertising about producing a replacement sign for the entrance to the exhibit area. Cost would be \$198. Loren moved to purchase two new signs – the entrance sign, and one directional sign – subject to 4H Building and Grounds approval of the placement of the directional sign. Dana seconded and motion carried.

Melanie has signed up to attend a workshop on 5/18, which will include discussion of 2017 CWI grants and Internal Controls. Workshop will be held at the Jackson County Library. The template Laura Fribley spoke of should be ready to distribute at the workshop. Supervisors asked staff to contact Laura and schedule a day for her to meet with them, and assist them with the template. Staff will contact Laura.

Recent inspection reports prepared by IDEM regarding the landfill were discussed. IDEM states that the landfill is in violation because items that were to have been completed to date have not been.

No other old business.

NEW BUSINESS

The Scholarship Committee reported that two applications for the Marvin Wright Conservation Scholarship were received by the deadline. The Committee recommended Collin Schindler to receive the scholarship. Consensus was to accept the Committee's recommendation.

Tami reported that she and Lynn attended the City of Jeffersonville Drainage Board meeting last evening to discuss the District's MS4 assistance program. City officials asked several questions, and expressed satisfaction with the service the District is providing. She noted that the Town of Sellersburg is changing how they do some things, and they may be requesting more frequent reports from the District.

Budget requests for 2017 are due in the Auditor's office by May 31, 2016. Tami distributed a comparison sheet of what had been requested over the last two years, and what had been spent to date for 2016. No salary increases will be allowed for 2017 with the exception of longevity, which adds \$100 for each year of service. Supervisors agreed to duplicating the 2016 request with the addition of longevity to the salary figure. Tami will prepare the forms and submit by the deadline.

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.

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 9:15 p.m.

Melanie Davis, Secretary