

October 6, 2016

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. Those present were Sam Hagest, Dana Coots, Carolyn Clark, Loren Christman and Luanne Stahly, and Tami Kruer.

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

Sam asked for questions on the Financial Report. Carolyn moved to approve the report; Luanne seconded and the motion carried.

#### Old Business

Grant Updates: 319 14 Mile Creek – Tami reported that Melanie had contacted Kathleen Hagan and to date we have not received word on the final approval of the WMP.

Bison-Tennial Event – Tami reported that the Bison-Tennial Event was very successful. Approximately 150 people were in attendance. The torch relay did pass through the Fairgrounds during the event. Guests were treated to bison burgers, hot dogs, chips and bottled water. Small Indiana state flags were also given out. The fiberglass bison, Roam, was unveiled during the event. Artist, Sheryl Scharf, will put the final touches on Roam in the coming weeks.

Forestry Field Day – The Field Day at the Clark State Forest was attended by approximately 25 attendees. A light lunch was provided through the grant. Everyone seemed to enjoy it and appreciated the information shared.

Exhibit Building – The SWCD received a bill from Advantage Enterprises, LLC. for the electric work done to the new exhibit building. The total bill was for \$3092.40. Advantage Enterprises was chosen to do the work at the request of the Clark County 4-H Corporation Board, because they are the company that the Corporation uses for other electric work on the grounds and it would provide consistency with other electrical service. The SWCD Board discussed the amount which they feel is exorbitant, and asked that a letter stating such be included with the payment. Luanne moved to pay Advantage Enterprises, LLC. the full amount of the invoice; Carolyn seconded. Motion carried.

The sealing and weatherproofing of the new exhibit building was discussed. The board asked staff to contact Solomon Eicher to provide a quote. Sam will contact Sandy Popp about a quote, as well. Sam will investigate a company in New Albany, which we may be able to purchase the shelving we need for storage.

Internal Controls – Tami reported that Melanie had updated the spreadsheet with all of the information that the board had addressed during its special meeting. That was sent out in the mail. The SWCD Board decided to table the discussion until more time was allowed to review it. It was also suggested that a copy be sent to Laura Fribley for her review.

Local Workgroup – Tami reminded the SWCD Board of the date for the upcoming Local Workgroup meeting on October 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Ag Service Center Conference Room.

Christmas Dinner – Catering was discussed for the December Board Meeting/Christmas Event for the SWCD Board. The board discussed their options, and Luanne will relay them to the caterer. Each attendee will pay for their own meal. We will pitch in to supply drinks, and possibly dessert. The regular board meeting will be at 5:00 p.m. and the meal will follow at 6:00 p.m. in the Ag Service Center Conference Room. Staff was asked to invite our partner staff, Lynn Miller and Laura Fribley.

### New Business

#### Annual Meeting

- The date of the SWCD Annual Meeting is Thursday, January 26<sup>th</sup> with a snow date of February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- The legal ad has been placed for the catering bids. Several caterers who are outside the newspaper delivery area have also been contacted to solicit a bid.
- The Election Committee was discussed. Luanne Stahly, Tami Kruer and Melanie Davis will make up the election committee.
- Loren Christman is up for reappointment. After a brief discussion, Luanne moved to reappoint Loren to the SWCD Board of Supervisors; Carolyn seconded. Loren Christman abstained from the vote. Motion carried.
- Carolyn Clark's term as supervisor will expire at the end of the year. Carolyn expressed her desire to run for re-election on the Board of Supervisors. Luanne moved to place Carolyn's name on the ballot for the Supervisor Election; Dana seconded the motion. Carolyn abstained from the vote. Motion carried.
- The election committee will also entertain the nomination of other candidates for the Supervisor Election.

NACD Membership Dues – Tami presented the letter from the National Association of Conservation District regarding membership dues. Carolyn moved to pay membership dues in the amount of \$775.00; Dana seconded. Motion carried.

Woodland Steward Newsletter – Tami presented correspondence regarding the Woodland Steward Newsletter. Luanne moved to contribute \$250.00 for the newsletter; Dana seconded motion carried.

IN field Advantage Winter Meeting – Tami has been contacted by Linda Jackson of the Scott County SWCD regarding the Winter Meeting on January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 in Scottsburg. There are 6 Clark County participants in the program; and 5 in Scott. Linda was inquiring as to whether the Clark SWCD would agree to split the cost of the catering of a light breakfast. Carolyn moved to split the catering cost with the Scott County SWCD, not to exceed \$200; Luanne seconded. The motion carried.

### No other New Business

Staff Reports

Jennifer Kipper was not present, but submitted a written report of her activities.

Tami Kruer, presented a written report of her activities.

Melanie Davis was not present.

Lynn Miller was not present.

Mike Johnson was not present.

Correspondence/Announcements: NONE

With no further business, Sam adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Tami Kruer