August 3, 2018

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. Those present were Sam Hagest, Dana Coots, Carolyn Clark, Loren Christman, Luanne Stahly, Mike Johnson, Laura Fribley, Tami Kruer, and Melanie Davis.

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

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

Old Business

Grant updates:

319 14 Mile Creek - No further word.

CWI 2017 –First half 2018 report has been submitted. Work to make path handicap accessible, and creation and placement of tree markers, needs to be done in order to complete the grant. CWI 2018 – Two new applications received from Nick Smith and Tony Webb. Vickie (Jefferson County) has submitted the first half 2018 report.

County budget session dates have been announced. Loren will attend. Tami is preparing packets to give to Council members. Date selected to attend was 8/27.

Exhibit Area/4-H Fair – The Power Point presentation given at the recent area staff meeting on the history of the exhibit area, was shown. Options to make the tree path handicap accessible were considered. Sam will talk with Bryan Martin regarding the equipment he has, and his availability to work on the path, and cost. It was suggested to get estimates from landscapers. Renting the equipment necessary to excavate, and asking Paul Graf to do the work, was also suggested. Call for bids should set forth all work we expect to have completed. Reconfiguring the path to avoid tree roots, building up the low spots in the path, and planting trees lost from the original path design, were discussed. Luanne stated that the concrete placed in the old fish tank drain needs to be removed to prevent pooling of water. Loren noted that few 4-H fair programs were handed out to guests when parking. Instead, green sheets with activities for the nights were given. Carolyn noted that we need to be sure our name is listed correctly in the program for next year. David Young kept the drill at his house during the fair. Tami will call him Monday, and have him return it to the fairgrounds. Luanne stated that there is a 4-H Forestry club interested in using our area for educational meetings.

New Business

Training opportunities were presented. All supervisors will attend the Region Meeting on 8/22/18 in North Vernon. Melanie will make reservations. Laura noted that the Leadership Institute Plus training has been opened to anyone who would like to attend; deadline for those who have completed four LI has past; registration deadline is 8/21/18.

Tami stated that Jennifer has received information on holding the Local Workgroup meetings for FY2019. Jennifer suggested a morning meeting on 10/4/18 – our regular meeting. Meeting time was set for 8:30 a.m. that day with October board meeting to follow.

Tami distributed packets which included the new draft ICP agreement, and the present agreement. Districts are being encouraged to review the new draft line-by-line for changes. Supervisors can let staff know of comments they have; staff will forward to IASWCD.

Laura distributed a written report, and noted that CWI 2019 applications are due 9/14/18. She encouraged all to attend the upcoming meetings and trainings.

Staff Reports

Jennifer Kipper, submitted a written report of her activities.

Tami Kruer, submitted a written report.

Melanie Davis, submitted a written report of her activities. She noted that Woody Warehouse will be supplying the trees for the District's fall sale.

Lynn Miller was not present, however, Tami noted items he has been working on: Lynn met with River Ridge today on one of their projects; has met with Dan Cristiani and a gentleman that has a pond in the middle of a perennial stream, and is concerned with runoff from a Cristiani property; has not received a plan on the Charlestown Dog Park, but an opening is scheduled; and he is not sure Community Crossing has an approved plan as their information goes directly to Ronnie Boehm.

Mike Johnson did not have a report.

Correspondence/Announcements:

The 2018 mowing contract was presented and signed.

The 6/30/18 Marvin Wright Conservation Scholarship Fund statement was distributed.

With no further business, Sam adjourned the meeting at 8: 45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Melanie Davis.