

Minutes of the Spencer County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors

May 18, 2020

Chrisney Library Shelter House

Attendance:

Board: Burke Sibrel, Mark Lubbehusen, Mike Roos, Alan Waninger, Tim Luecke, Brian Rahman

Associate Members: Mike Roos

Staff: Courtney Hall, Olivia Summers

NRCS: Randy Van Matre

Brian Rahman Called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the February minutes. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the treasurer's report for March, April and May. Motion carried. The board reviewed the claims for March, April and May. A motion was made to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried.

March

Courtney Hall	\$ 14.00	Lamination (education)
Courtney Hall	\$ 18.19	Office Supplies
Courtney Hall	\$ 12.78	meeting Expense
Courtney Hall	\$ 31.18	Mileage
Olivia Summers	\$ 25.00	Meating fee
Olivia Summers	\$ 109.59	Mileage
Business Equipment	\$ 166.02	Copier and paper
Becky Boehm	\$ 20.00	SIGC
Ronnie Boehm	\$ 20.00	SIGC
Kaitlyn Greene	\$ 20.00	SIGC
Houchens Foods North	\$ 255.59	Crop day, annual meeting, gardening workshop
Postmaster	\$ 101.00	Postage Stamps

April

Business Equipment	\$ 30.00	Copier
C N A Surety	\$ 187.00	Bonding
Courtney Hall	\$ 9.00	Postage
Courtney Hall	\$ 45.24	Mileage
Spencer County Auditor	\$ 2,500.00	Quarterly Salary
Specer County Journal Democrat	\$ 9.00	Annual Meeting/Printing expense

May

Business Equipment	\$ 30.00	Copier
Olivia Summers	\$ 37.83	Mileage
Jesse Bruggeman	\$ 343.20	CWI Cover Crop

Old Business

The Board was advised of the hold on the change in office hours.

Courtney discussed that she did not order the promotional items approved in February due to the cancellation of many events.

The Board was presented intern applications. The motion was made and seconded to not hire an intern this year. Some discussion about building regulations and attempting to distance office staff as much as possible was included. Motion carried.

The board was informed that the 4-H fair was moved to virtual, and that there would not be a booth available this year.

The staff will still assist the 4-H personnel in judging Weeds, Geology, Weather and Climate Science, and Soils.

The board was informed that the Annual Adventures with Nature at Tipsaw Lake was postponed to 2021.

The motion was made to pay the cover crop payment to Jesse Bruggeman after a field visit confirmed an appropriate stand for cover crops. Motion carried.

The board made a motion and seconded not to bid on the Jeep Cherokee up for silent bids at the Town of Chrisney.

There was a discussion of the access to a vehicle for field work. Motion not to bid carried.

Olivia Summers updated the board on attendance of the Gardening workshop held with Warrick County SWCD.

The board reviewed the Affiliate membership donations which were received during the pandemic.

New Business

The board discussed the potential contribution agreement with NRCS and the workload it would require. There would be no reimbursable activities for the 2020 year, as NRCS has completed those duties. The motion was made and seconded that board is interested in the agreement for future years. Motion carried.

The board was informed of the procedures for the 2020 Clean Water Indiana grants (23-county grant).

The board made a motion and seconded to pursue a 2021 Clean Water Indiana grant. There was some discussion about the grant specifics. Olivia and Courtney to research grant funding. Motion carried.

The board was informed of the increase in mileage reimbursement.

The board was informed of the NWQI (National Water Quality Initiative) potential funding source by Randy Van Matre.

The Board reviewed Staff and Partner Reports from:

Courtney Hall

Olivia Summers

Randy Van Matre (NRCS)

And Laura Fribley (ISDA)

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM

Secretary Alan Waninger

Approved

Signature _____ Date: _____ Title: _____