

MONTGOMERY COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, December 9, 2010

Next meeting WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2011 AT 9:00 A.M.

The Board of Directors of the Montgomery County Soil and Water Conservation District held their regular monthly board meeting on Thursday, December 9, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at the USDA Service Center in Hillsboro, Illinois. Vice Chairman Dave Pastrovich called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. Roll call was as follows:

Present:

Directors: Dave Schluckebier, Carl Bergman, Dave Pastrovich and Tony Krager

Associate Directors: Dan Eickhoff and Dennis Hand

Staff: CJ Liddell, Dave Hobson, Kris Reynolds and Melissa Cauble

Absent:

Directors: Ken Suslee

Associate Directors: Brad Young, Dick Lyons, and Dan Huber,

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The board reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting. No changes or additions were noted.

Financial Statements and Approval of Bills: The board reviewed the financial statements. A copy of those statements is on file with these minutes in the SWCD office. No changes or corrections were noted.

Melissa then presented the bills for payment. **Dave Pastrovich made a motion to approve the minutes, financial statements and payment of the bills presented.**

2nd by: Carl Bergman

Carried: Yes

Staff Reports: All employees presented written reports which are filed as part of these minutes.

Carl Bergman made a motion to accept the reports as presented.

2nd by: Dave Schluckebier

Carried: Yes

Natural Area Guardians Report: Staff reported there was a newsletter in the process of being completed and distributed.

OLD BUSINESS

C-2000 Programs: Kris reported the following items for the CPP program:

1. Fifteen projects were being worked on
2. One completion on Matthews, which Chairman Krager signed the approval on
3. Ohmes was completed but no bill had been received
4. Approximately 45 applications for FY 11 had been received
5. **Dave Schluckebier made a motion to approve a well sealing application on Tarter. 2nd by: Dave Pastrovich** **Carried: Yes**
6. **Kris informed the board that a new rule will require local contractors doing work which will be paid through tax dollars, such as our CPP program, to pay their workers prevailing wage. He stated our only obligation was to remind program participants that they must inform their contractors of this law. SWCDs will not be responsible for**

tracking this. Kris stated a contractors meeting in February would be the perfect opportunity to make this point to contractors.

CRP, EQIP, CSP, Etc.: CJ reported under EQIP that the next batching period was to be on January 7. He stated projects were to be approved in several phases, including limited resources producers, forest management planning, nutrient management planning, grazing, and comprehensive nutrient management planning. He stated there was approximately \$12,000,000 available in the state of Illinois and that the funds were being sent to the area level and area staff will disperse.

CJ also stated he was busy getting CSP payments out.

CREP: The board and staff engaged in a lengthy discussion of the newly re-opened CREP program and its rules and regulations. Staff informed the board that in depth training was scheduled for SWCD personnel on January 18.

Budget and Insurance Issues: Melissa reported that fourth quarter FY 10 funds were to be arriving shortly. She also reported that operations funding for FY 11 was set at \$51,000 per district but no word was available on when that money would come. She also stated the health insurance for employees was current.

2010 Contribution Agreement: Kris reported we were awaiting news on an amendment on the FY 10. Kris then had Chairman Krager sign an application for an agreement for FY 11 in the amount of \$25,000.

Annual Meeting and Elections: Melissa reported on the following Annual Meeting items:

1. **Entertainment had been confirmed at the offered price of \$400.00**
2. **The board asked Melissa to send two complimentary tickets to each advertiser**
3. **The board settled on a price of \$8.00 per ticket**
4. **Door prizes will include live fish, trees and \$200.00 in gift cards from local merchants**
5. **Melissa will purchase paper and placemats for the tables and order pens to give out**

Equipment Issues: The board asked Kris to check on prices on a new scraper and present at the next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Employee Time Sheets: Carl Bergman made a motion to approve the time sheets as presented.
2nd by: Dave Schluckebier Carried: Yes

Next Meeting: To be held Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn: At 11:20 a.m. Carl Bergman made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
2nd by: Dave Pastrovich Carried: Yes

Signed:

Dave Schluckebier, Sec/Treas

Date