

**DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
 December 14, 2011

**I. Call to order**

John Begun called to order the December meeting of the DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District at 12:00 p.m. on December 14, 2011 at the DeKalb County Farm Bureau Center for Agriculture.

**II. Attendance (P=Present, A=Absent)**

<b>STAFF</b>		<b>DIRECTORS</b>		<b>ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS</b>			
Dean Johnson	<u>P</u>	John Begun	<u>P</u>	Jim Arndt	<u>P</u>	Joel Gerlt	<u>P</u>
Sandra Warner	<u>P</u>	Joe Gulotta	<u>P</u>	Dick Bend	<u>P</u>	Connie Gustafson	<u>A</u>
Mike Richolson	<u>A</u>	Scott Pumroy	<u>P</u>	Ralph Boesche	<u>A</u>	Gordon Kohn	<u>P</u>
Paul Searl	<u>P</u>	Mike Konen	<u>P</u>	Pete Cowan	<u>A</u>	Nick Moore	<u>A</u>
		Roger Wurtz	<u>P</u>	Peggy Doty	<u>A</u>	Dennis Stoia	<u>P</u>
<b>GUESTS</b>				Paul Dreska	<u>P</u>	Paul Taylor	<u>P</u>
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**III. Approval of Minutes**

Scott Pumroy moved to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2011 meeting. Mike Konen seconded the motion, motion carried.

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

Joe Gulotta moved to approve the agenda for the December 14, 2011 board meeting. Scott Pumroy seconded the motion, motion carried.

**V. Approval of Treasurer's Report**

Scott Pumroy reviewed the treasurer's report for the period ending November 30, 2011. Mike Konen moved to approve the treasurer's report. Joe Gulotta seconded the motion, motion carried.

## **VI. Approval of Finances**

Finances were reviewed. Mike Konen moved to approve the payments of listed bills. Joe Gulotta seconded the motion, motion carried.

<u>Num</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4193	10/28	Darryl Kupecz	Downspout Return	\$30.00
4194	10/28	Sandra B Warner	Health/Mileage	\$21.10
4195	11/2	Dean H Johnson	PP# 21	\$1,308.95
4196	11/2	Sandra B Warner	PP# 22	\$1,111.08
4196F	11/2	FirStar	Oct Fed Payroll Tax	\$1,306.75
4196S	11/2	Ill Dept. of Revenue	Oct State Payroll Tax	\$269.56
4197	11/2	Walmart	Board Meeting	\$18.88
4198	11/9	Hintzsche Oil	Vehicle Gas	\$191.84
4199	11/9	NACD	Dues	\$75.00
4200	11/9	Turner-Vermost	Vehicle Insurance	\$1,173.00
4201	11/11	Sandra B Warner	Health	\$30.00
4202	11/15	Skp Griparis	Banquet	\$350.00
4203	11/15	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	\$19.00
4204	11/16	Dean H Johnson	PP# 22	\$1,308.94
4205	11/16	Sandra B Warner	PP# 22	\$1,111.09
4206	11/21	Sandra B Warner	Health	\$20.00
4207	11/30	Walmart	Contractor Meeting	\$72.85
4208	11/30	Dean H Johnson	PP# 23	\$1,308.95
4209	11/30	Sandra B Warner	PP# 23	\$1,111.09
4210	11/30	Walmart	Winter Training	\$16.69

## **VII. Natural Resources Conservation Service Report**

Paul Searl reviewed activities for November and upcoming activities for December.

## **VIII. Resource Conservation Report**

Report was submitted to Board for review of activities for November and upcoming activities for December.

## **IX. Administrative Coordinator Report**

Report was submitted to Board for review of activities for November and upcoming activities for December.

## **XI. Natural Resources Education Report**

None Given

## **XII. Natural Resource Inventory Report**

None Given

## **XIII. Correspondence**

- DeKalb County Government has agreed to a \$20,000 Grant for FY13
- Mass Media going out to promote the Gaming Bill. If the gaming bill is passed the SWCD's should get 12 ½ million dollars.
- The Association is working on getting cost share for conservation programs exempt from prevailing wage.
- Summer Conference will be held at the Northfield Inn and Suites in Springfield July 23- July 24

#### **XIV. Time Sheets**

Time sheet for pay periods 22, 23 and 24 were reviewed by Mike Konen and approved.

#### **XV. Unfinished Business**

- **Awards Banquet**-It was suggested that LG Sanderson & Sons receive the Outstanding Contribution to the SWCD for their efforts in promoting good stewardship regarding our county's soil and water.
- **Nominating Committee**-Dean reported for the nominating committee , three Board members that are up for election have agreed to run for re-election. The three Board members include: Joe Gulotta, Mike Konen and Scott Pumroy.
- **SWCD Board Election**-January 31<sup>st</sup> 2012
- **Farm Show**-January 11-12, 2012. We will be giving away a rain barrel.

#### **XVI. New Business**

**Employee Christmas Bonus**-Mike Konen moved to give both the Administrative Coordinator (Sandy) and the Resource Conservationist (Dean) a \$250.00 after tax Christmas Bonus. Roger Wurtz seconded the motion, motion carried.

**CSP Program**-A packet was handed out to inform the Board on what a CSP program was. This program gives tax breaks to people who's land is consider agriculture but not being farmed. The District may be able to make some money by helping landowners write conservation plans to qualify for this program.

#### **XVII. Other**

#### **XVIII. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m. The next meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD Board will be held on **Wednesday, January 4th, 2012 at 12:00 p.m.** at DeKalb County Farm Bureau Center for Agriculture.