

**DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District
Meeting Minutes**

December 7, 2009

I. Call to order

Paul Taylor called to order the December meeting of the DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District at 7:00 p.m. on December 7, 2009 at the DeKalb County Farm Bureau Center for Agriculture.

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

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

Scott Pumroy moved to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2009 meeting. Ralph Boesche seconded the motion, motion carried.

IV. Approval of Agenda

John Begun moved to approve the agenda as amended for the December 7, 2009 board meeting. Ralph Boesche seconded the motion, motion carried.

V. Approval of Treasurer's Report

Scott Pumroy reviewed the treasurer's report for the period ending November 30, 2009. John Begun moved to approve the treasurer's report. Ralph Boesche seconded the motion, motion carried.

VI. Approval of Finances

Finances were reviewed. John Begun moved to approve the payments of listed bills. Ralph Boesche seconded the motion, motion carried.

Num	Date	Name	Memo	Amt.
3921	11/4	FirStar	Oct Fed. Payroll Tax	\$1,298.82
3922	11/4	Illinois Dept. of Revenue	Oct State Payroll Tax	\$162.78
3923	11/4	Dean H Johnson	PP# 23	\$1,310.55
3924	11/4	Sandra B Warner	PP# 23	\$1,113.64
3925	11/4	Competitive Edge	Shirts	\$380.18
3926	11/4	Sandra B Warner	Health reimburse	\$60.00
3927	11/16	Hintzsche Fertilizer	Vehicle Gas	\$107.88
3928	11/16	Turner-Vermost	D&O Insurance	\$1,173.00
3929	11/16	Verizon Wireless	Cell Phone	\$15.94
3930	11/18	Dean H Johnson	PP# 24	\$1,310.55
3931	11/18	Sandra B Warner	PP# 24	\$1,113.64
3932	11/25	Wal-mart Supercenter	Winter Training	\$29.93
3933	11/27	Illinois Dept. of Agriculture	Nursery License	\$50.00
3934	11/27	Void Check	Void	\$0.00
3935	11/27	Verizon	Fax Line	\$31.87
3936	11/27	Sandra B Warner	Health reimburse	\$30.00

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

Peggy Doty updated the board on activities at the center. Peggy also reported that she has reached her goal in grants for the center.

XII. Natural Resource Inventory Report

None Given

XIII. Correspondence

Tillage Seminar-Tuesday, January 26, 2010, Peoria

Funding Source-AISWCD is looking into a possible tax on minerals (Rock quarries) revenue from this could be around 30 million. If this is accomplished it would provided better wages for employees and will help provide for insurances and retirement.

Genoa-Property that is to be put into prairies has been seeded.

XIV. Time Sheets

Time sheets for pay periods 23, and 24 were reviewed by Scott Pumroy and approved.

XV. Old Business

Nominating Committee –Have been making contacts.

Conservation Awards Banquet-The date for the banquet is set for March 19, 2010. Discussion for Awards recipients will take place at the January 2010 meeting. Ralph Boesche moved to hire Chris McBrien for the entertainment portion of the Banquet. Scott Pumroy seconded the motion, motion carried.

Discussion on Long Range Plan of Work- Postponed

Farm Show-January 6th and 7th. Soy nuts have been purchased for giveaways. Ralph Boesche moved to have a drawing for a rain barrel. Scott Pumroy seconded the motion, motion carried.

Director Election-January 26, 2010

XVI. New Business

NRI Approvals Before Board Meetings. – If necessary decisions on NRI's will be made through emails and phone calls.

Approval of 2010 rental rates.-Scott Pumroy moved to charge \$100.00 per day for the tree planter until it is sold. Ralph Boesche seconded the motion, motion carried.

NRCS/1 Funded Computer per District-At winter training Bill Gradle informed the districts that NRCS will be funding only 1 computer per district. A decision will have to be made on whether or not the district would like to pay \$3100.00 to continue having the second computer hooked up to the NRCS system. This will be discussed in more depth at the January Board meeting.

RC/AC Monitors-John Begun moved to buy a monitor for Dean's (RC) computer. Scott Pumroy seconded the motion, motion carried. A discussion on purchasing a new computer and software for the Sandy (AC) was held. Sandy will shop for pricing and bring to the January Board meeting.

Employee Christmas Bonus-John Begun moved to give each employee after taxes a \$250.00 Bonus. Scott Pumroy seconded the motion, motion carried.

XVII. Other

None

XVIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next meeting of the DeKalb County SWCD Board will be held on **Tuesday, January 5, at 1:30 p.m.** at the **DeKalb County Farm Bureau Center for Agriculture.**