

Bond County Soil & Water Conservation District
1111 E. Harris Ave., Greenville, IL 62246
Regular Monthly Board Meeting, Wednesday, March 13, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Bond County Soil and Water Conservation District's Board of Directors at USDA Building in Greenville, IL on Wednesday, March 13, 2024. Bingham called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Directors:

Mike Bingham, Carl Albert, Wes Pourchot, Brad Criner, Justin Jefferson
Associate Director: Jim Detmer

Employees & Staff present: Emily Hartmann, Roger Marcoot **Others:** Amy Tebbe, Bradford National Bank

Pourchot moved to elect the same slate of officers. Jefferson seconded; motion carried. All votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

Directors reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Albert moved to approve the minutes as presented. Jefferson seconded. Motion passed. Last months' financial reports, current bills due, and delinquent accounts were reviewed and discussed by the board. Albert moved to approve the financial report and to allow Hartmann to pay bills online due to the issues with paying and receiving bills through the mail on time. Jefferson seconded; motion carried. Jefferson moved to amend the budget to pay employee salary and benefits from the operations funds, and the drill purchase will be paid by other SWCD funds. Pourchot seconded; motion carried.

NRCS Update: Alexander provided a copy of the Bond/Clinton/Washington NRCS Report.

FSA Update: No report.

Old Business: Hartmann updated the board with an annual meeting review. Directors reviewed the minutes and annual report that will be submitted to IDOA. They also signed necessary acceptance of office documents. Hartmann will submit those documents to IDOA by the end of the month. The essay contest winner was announced, Rylee Phillips. The FFA week activities were discussed.

New Business: The spring art contest will be held during April with entries being due in early May. The CPP sign-up is on-going, and the online form is available on the website. There are several Spring AITC events with the Section 19 FFA dairy judging in Greenville; Section 21 Public Speaking at Kaskaskia College; State FFA Dairy Judging, KC April 5; Greenville STEM night on April 25; 5th Grade Conservation Education Day on May 9 and the Summer Teacher workshop on June 6. The board reviewed the CPP cost-list from IDOA and it was approved.

Administrative Coordinator's Report: Hartmann updated the board on all new business, AITC events and upcoming meetings. Recently Hartmann attended the Kaskaskia Watershed Meeting in Carlyle on March 4; the IL Dept of Ag Regional meeting in Springfield on March 11. Soil health training is planned for March 25-28 in Mt. Vernon. There will be additional training in April as Hartmann works toward Conservation Planning III Status.

Conservation Associate's Report: Invoicing is up to date and Marcoot is working on collection calls. The new JD drill has arrived, and Bradford National Bank is finalizing the loan documents today.

Next Regular Meeting: April 10 at 8:00 a.m.

Pourchot moved to adjourn at 9:47 a.m. Jefferson seconded; motion carried.

Emily Hartmann, Executive Director

Mike Bingham, Chairman