2022 January -McLean County SWCD Minutes

The Board of Directors of the McLean County SWCD had their regular board meeting on January 12, 2022 at Davis Lodge, Lake Bloomington. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Kelley at 7:36 a.m. Directors present were Jeff Mathews and Howard Heatherwick. District employees present were Ross Fogle and Jackie Kraft.

~Financials/Minutes:

December 2021 minutes were presented, Howard motioned, Jeff seconded. Motion Carried. Jeff made a motion to approve the financials, Howard seconded. Motion carried. Jeff made a motion to approve the January checks for payment. Howard seconded. Motion carried.

~Brett submitted District report as written: see attached report

~ Adam submitted the NRCS report as written: see attached report

"Jackie gave the Watershed report as written: Still waiting on comments from IEPA on the Lake Bloomington/Evergreen Lake watershed plan. A 319-implementation grant was submitted for \$344,654.50 for the watersheds. The Clinton Lake watershed plan has been submitted to IEPA for comments. The Illinois Farm Bureau Nutrient Stewardship grant has been awarded. The grant is to host a field day this summer in the watersheds. Received a FOIA from Stark for the Interloop Drive projected completed last summer. Howard addressed the recent Illinois Farm Bureau call for action on WOTUS. We discussed if the District should submit a comment. It was decided that we would reach out to the AISWCD for guidance and suggestions before a decision was made. Will discuss at next board meeting.

Ross gave the District report: The website has been updated to include the new sponsors, new tabs for web soil survey and cover crop tool. The January e-newsletter blast has been sent out. The Conservation Review has been completed and emailed.

~Old Business: The general election is taking place today at the office. Sally Breese, Irvin Bane and Howard Heatherwick are on the ballot.

New Business: The next Board Meeting was set for February 9th at 7:30 a.m. at the USDA Service Center. The meeting concluded at 8:44 a.m.