

2022 February
-McLean County SWCD Minutes

The Board of Directors of the McLean County SWCD had their regular board meeting on February 9, 2022 at Davis Lodge in Lake Bloomington. The meeting was moved from the USDA Office in Normal due to current Covid protocols. A sign was placed on the door at the USDA Office to notify the public of this change. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Kelley at 7:39 a.m. Directors present were Irvin Bane, Howard Heatherwick, and Jeff Mathews. District employees present were Brett Irwin, Ross Fogle and Jackie Kraft.

~Financials/Minutes:

Irvin motioned to approve the January minutes as written. Howard seconded. Motion carried. Irvin made a motion to approve February checks, Jeff seconded. Motion carried. Jeff made a motion to approve the Financials as written. Irvin seconded. Motion carried. A motion was made by Howard to pre-approve costs associated with printing/mailing a CRP Newsletter. Jeff seconded. Motion carried.

~Jackie gave the District report as written: Still waiting on comments from IEPA on Lake Bloomington Watershed Plan and Clinton Lake Watershed Plan. Partnering with McLean County Farm Bureau on a Nutrient Stewardship grant to host a watershed field day in July.

~Brett gave the District report as written: Final draft of 2022 Spring Newsletter was sent to The Copy Shop for printing/mailing. All CREP easements have been updated with the current deed besides Alma French ground. Matt French is the executor of the estate and will contact us with an update once estate is finalized. CREP 3 year monitoring visits scheduled for late February/early March.

~Ross gave the Watershed report as written: January & February E-Newsletters have been distributed. Updated website to include soil testing process and contractors for soil testing. Draft of CRP Newsletter is created and was presented to the board.

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

~New Business: The next Board Meeting was set for March 9 at 7:30 a.m. at the USDA Service Center.