

2022 April
-McLean County SWCD Minutes

The Board of Directors of the McLean County SWCD had their regular board meeting on April 13, 2022, at the USDA Field Office in Normal. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Kelley at 7:31 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 March minutes as written. Howard seconded. Motion carried. Jeff made a motion to approve March checks, Irvin seconded. Motion carried. Howard made a motion to approve the Financials as written. Irvin seconded. Motion carried.

~Jackie gave the District report as written: 1 bid from Jarrod Boyle for \$142,894 to complete the Starkey Park shoreline protection project was made following the required site visit for bidding. Irvin made a motion to approve the bid. Howard seconded. Motion carried. There were 3 total applicants for the Jim Rutherford Conservation Scholarship (Paige Lemenager, Amelia Rodriguez, and Preston Rhode). Howard motioned to approve all scholarship applicants for the scholarship. Jeff seconded. Motion carried.

~Brett gave the District report as written: CPP Waterways of Moe Davis and Andy Reeser are designed. Moe Davis waterway will be \$2383.50 in estimated cost share and Andy Reeser Waterway will be \$8029.97 in estimated cost share. Irvin motioned to preapproved these projects for the FY21 CPP funds. Jeff seconded. Motion carried. Reduced property tax assessment applications for filter strips were completed for Janice Kiper, Blarney Stone V LLC, and Randall Strubhar. Jeff motioned to approve the applications. Howard seconded. Motion carried.

~Ross gave the Watershed report as written: Started an office Milkweed in the Classroom project with the extra kit that was sent to the SWCD. RFD Radio interview is scheduled to cover IDOT Pollinator projects. April E Newsletter to cover Tree Sale, cover crop cost share sign up and native seed sale.

~ Jackie provided Adam's NRCS report as written: Held a CRP meeting regarding status of CRP re-enrolls for FY22. There are 118 site visits which consist of 67 waterways and 51 filter strips with 50 already been completed. Wish to schedule Local Work Group meeting for June 8, 2022 at 9am.

~New Business:

The next Board Meeting was set for June 8 at 7:30 a.m. at the USDA Service Center.