

*Fayette County Soil and Water  
Conservation District Agenda  
August 18, 2011  
8:00 a.m.*

- I. Online Meeting Call to order
  1. Roll Call
- II. Approval of online Minutes
  1. July 28, 2011
- III. Treasurer's Report
- IV. Approval of paid bills for August
- V. Employee Time Sheets
  1. Approval of RC, AC and CC Time Sheets
- VI. Employee Reports – RC, AC and CC
- VII. NRCS Report – DC
- VIII. Old Business
  1. Award pictures for First National Bank of Vandalia
  2. Board Evaluation Meeting
- IX. New Business
  1. Correspondence:
    - i) Regional Rep. Report for August
  2. IRAP Meeting - There was an Illinois Recreational Access Program (IRAP) Meeting held on July 21, 2011. Tony and Jamie were in attendance at this meeting. IDNR received a grant from FSA for 1 million dollars. The program is going to offer landowners the ability to sign up to allow people to hunt, fish or just nature walk on their property. Landowner will be paid a nominal fee by IDNR for this sign up and in order to go onto someone's property you must get a permit, they are talking about having the SWCD Offices provide the permits, for a fee.
  3. Fayette County Board Finance Committee Meeting - The meeting will be held on August 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Attached is a copy of the proposal that we will be giving the board members. If any board members would like to attend the meeting please let me know, that way we will know who to expect to be meeting in the parking lot of the Fayette County Courthouse about 10 minutes before the meeting. We would really hate to hold the short meeting and then find out there was someone in the parking lot that should have been included. It is not mandatory that everyone be there. The meeting will only last about 5 to 10 minutes.
  4. Carlyle Lake Watershed Representative - Gale Meseke was the representative on that board but now that he is no longer on the board we are in need of someone to take his place. We didn't get any takers to be the representative on the CLW Board but just in case you were pondering the thought and are willing to volunteer please let me know.
  5. FY12 Budget - Attached is the budget for FY12 for your approval. Please review and vote on acceptance or denial so it can be sent on to IDOA by their deadline.



6. FY12 Audit - All of the records are at the auditor and we should be receiving a audit report in time for the September meeting.
7. Conservation Field Days - Field days will be held on September 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Once again this is for all 4<sup>th</sup> graders in the county. We bring them all together at the Vandalia Lake and give them presentations on 8 conservation subjects.
8. Contractor Liability Letters - Last fiscal year the board voted to send each contractor a letter to make sure they were covered by liability insurance. It has been a year since I did that so I re-sent the letters and am getting updated copies of their insurance. Just to make sure they maintain the policy to be on the contractors list.
9. Soil Judging - Each year we partner with Effingham and Marion County to hold the county level soil judging contest. This year it will be held on September 27<sup>th</sup> not sure of the location yet
10. RC Contract with Effingham - It has been 1 year since we began the contract with Effingham County. As you can see from the minutes of the July Meeting Jake spoke with the chairman of the Effingham County Board and they wish to continue the contract. I have attached the original contract as well as the updated version, this version reflects Tony's raise for FY12. Jake asked that each board member please return a yes or no vote as to the acceptance of the new contract. At which point I will send it to Effingham for their approval and if they don't agree with the hourly rate then we will have to discuss again at the September Board Meeting.
11. CRP Seeding Update -Seeing is complete for this year. Almost all the acres were seeded. But with the rain delays and time constraints were are going to hold the last few acres over and either do a frost seeding or seed them next spring.

X. Other

XI. Adjourn

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

September 2011

5- Labor Day - Office Closed

13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> - Conservation Field Days

22 - Board Meeting

27 - Soil Judging

Mission Statement: The Fayette County Soil and Water Conservation District will provide leadership and promote programs that will help preserve and conserve our natural resources and improve the environment.