

***Fayette County Soil and Water Conservation District
Director's Meeting
November 30, 2009***

Directors Present:

Jake Hortenstine
Gale Meseke
Elizabeth Heinzmann
Matthew Runge
Susan Holdeman

Others Present:

Tony Pals, RC
Karen Sanders, AC
Mary Ann Hoeffliger, DC

Absent:

Chairman, Jake Hortenstine called the November 30, 2009 meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Roll call was taken.

Agenda considerations were discussed: Internet Hookup
Sponsorship of AISWCD

Audit Results – Joe Barth, CPA – LuAllen, Cearlock & Barth – Directors took audit results home to review since auditor was unavailable to attend. Tabled until December meeting.

Board meeting minutes were reviewed.

Susan moved to approve board meeting minutes from the September 24, 2009 meeting, with the correction, “Motion made by Matt to adjourn, seconded by Elizabeth”; seconded by Gale. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s report was reviewed. Elizabeth moved to approve the September treasurer’s report as printed; seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

October and November pending bills were reviewed and a motion to approve was made by Elizabeth, seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

October Pending Bills Total \$4,878.04

Credit Card Charges/Credits - \$803.04

Wal-Mart – Conservation Field Days - \$125.78

Harmon’s Market – Conservation Field Days -\$3.00

Wal-Mart – Conservation Field Days - \$36.33

Wal-Mart – Conservation Field Days - \$11.94

Wal-Mart – Conservation Field Days - \$19.90

Wal-Mart – Education in Classroom - \$59.48

Wal-Mart – Education in Classroom - \$8.58

Rural King – Education in Classroom – \$11.66

Rural King – Education in Classroom – \$56.24

Wal-Mart – Forestry Workshop - \$43.10

Rural King – Education in Classroom – \$3.04

Rural King – Education in Classroom – \$8.05

Givens Meat Shop – Forestry Workshop - \$264.00

Quill – Printer Ink - \$84.96

Quill – Printer Ink – 66.98

LuAllen Cearlock, Barth & Burnam, Ltd. – Audit - \$2,550.00

Strebel’s Sales and Service – Filter Fabric - \$1,525.00

November Pending Bills Total \$ 920.87

Credit Card Charges/ Credits - \$90.87

Harmon's Market – Education in Classroom - \$2.49

U.S. Postal Service – Stamps – \$79.60

Wal-Mart – Education in Classroom - \$8.78

Turner-Vermost Agency, Inc. – D & O Insurance - \$830.00

Elizabeth moved to approve employee time sheets for September; seconded by Gale. Motion carried.

Employee Reports:

Tony gave the RC report. Report is on file.

Karen gave the AC report. Report is on file.

Matt moved to approve AC and RC reports; seconded by Susan. Motion carried.

Mary Ann gave the DC report. Report is on file.

Elizabeth moved to approve DC report; seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

Old Business:

1. 2010 Budget – Tony and Karen put together a budget and balance sheet for approx. expenses and income for FY10. Basically from the report it shows that the district can run a year at a time on the present income and expenses, if nothing changes. Elizabeth moved to approve; seconded by Gale. Motion carried.
2. Director Liability Insurance – Liz and Karen received a quote from McKellar, Robertson, McCarty and Click Insurance. There is no way that the district can get insurance for the same amount that we get it for from Turner-Vermost.
3. ECD Funds – Liz Heinzmann – Liz informed the board that we invested \$50,000 into a 2 year investment account that would get the district a better rate of return on interest. The account has a zero penalty withdraw rate if we need the money before the 2 year end.

New Business:

Correspondence:

1. FY10 Grant Agreement – Tom Jennings – We are supposed to get Operations \$59,459.32 and CPP 9,900.00. We used to get money divided into RC, AC and office administration, but now we just get the grant with nothing broken out. Each district gets the same amount.
2. Payment of Dues – AISWCD – Thank you for paying the 3rd and 4th allocation.
3. NACD Dues – the dues are either 1% of the allocation or \$775.00. After board discussion it was decided that Fayette County would not pay NACD Dues. Susan moved to not pay dues, seconded by Matt. Motion carried.
4. ICCI Verification of Payment – AISWCD – We received our check for the ICCI verification that Tony performed, the check amount was \$ 819.08
5. Agricultural Areas 2009 Annual Report – Steve Chard – This report is done yearly to verify if any ag areas are added in the county and we have not had any. There are about 21 counties in the state.
6. Regional Rep Report – Oct – Nov. 2009 – Copy is on file
7. Report for Week of November 9-13 – Rich Nichols – NRCS is only going to support one district computer on the network on the USDA system. If SWCD's want to maintain more than one computer they will have to pay \$3,000 to NRCS.
8. Allocation – The first 2 quarters of the allocation will be released shortly. As soon as the comptroller has the money to meet the voucher the money will be released.

Update Recycling Committee Meeting – We are holding the recycling days the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Twisters Building. We are also taking white goods at the same time.

Update Forestry & Pond Management Meeting – Meeting was held on Sept. 26th, it was held on the Fred Bingaman and Pete Burnam farms south of Brownstown. We had it set up for 80 people but only about 20 showed up. There

were several things going on that day along with the Forestry Program. Most of the afternoon session was rained out.

Soil Judging Contest Report - Soil Judging was rained out and rescheduled several times. When it was finally held on October 7th we had part of the schools attend during school and the rest came after school because they were too busy to attend during class time.

Council 10 Meeting – Meeting will be held on December 17th at Ballard Nature Center. It will begin at 9:00 am. Tony is putting together a PowerPoint for all the counties.

CPESC Dues – Tony’s CPESC Dues are up for renewal. Gale moved to pay \$100 for CPESC Dues, seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

Winter Training

Expenses – per diem and hotel – There is no registration or lunch on either day. Gale moved to pay per diem and hotel, seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

Door prize donation – Gale moved to pay \$20 for a door prize from the district, seconded by Matt. Motion carried

Election of Board Members – Directors that are up for election in FY10 are Jake Hortenstine, Matt Runge and Susan Holdeman. They will let us know if they are going to run for re-election at the December meeting.

CPP Update – We have approx. \$10,000 left in the FY09 account.

Tree Sale – We have been selling lots of trees. We are selling White Pine, Norway Spruce, Blue Spruce, Red Oak, Bird & Butterfly Packets (they consist of Rosa Rugosa, Trumpet Vine, Rose of Sharon, Liatris Spicata Bulb, Butterfly Bush).

December Board Meeting Date – The meeting will be held on December 16th at 10:00 a.m. there will be a meal following the meeting.

Karen’s Annual Leave – Karen has annual leave that she needs to use. Karen wants to use it December 21st, 22nd, 23rd. Matt made a motion to allow Karen to use her annual leave as needed to get it used, seconded by Susan. Motion carried.

Other –

Computer Hookup – Karen and Tony checked into internet for the computer that will be off the network. Hofnet will supply service for a one time \$45 hookup and \$29 a month. The district will have to supply their own computer and printers.

Christmas Eve off – Gale made a motion to give December 24th as a holiday to the employees, seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

Karen’s Compressed Schedule – Tabled until December.

Adjournment - Motion made by Susan; seconded by Elizabeth. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Gale Meseke, Secretary