

***Fayette County Soil and Water Conservation District  
Director's Meeting  
September 24, 2009***

**Directors Present:**

Jake Hortenstine  
Gale Meseke  
Elizabeth Heinzmann  
Matthew Runge

**Others Present:**

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

**Absent:**

Susan Holdeman

Chairman, Jake Hortenstine called the September 24, 2009 meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Roll call was taken.

Agenda considerations were discussed: 2010 SWCD Allocation - Rich Nichols  
RC Annual Leave

Board meeting minutes were reviewed.

Elizabeth moved to approve board meeting minutes from the August 27, 2009 meeting; seconded by Matt. Motion carried

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

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

September Pending Bills Total \$2,438.90

Credit Card Charges/Credits - \$88.90

Harmon's IGA – Education in Classroom Supplies - \$6.50

Annual Fee - \$12.00

US Postal Service – Stamps - \$70.40

Pro-Fab Metals – Welding on Fabric Plow - \$60.00

Strebel's Sales and Service – Filter Fabric - \$2,290.00

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.

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

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

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

Old Business:

1. Annual Meeting Speaker – After discussion by the board about the cost of the annual meeting. Gale moved to suspend the annual meeting for one year on a trial basis to see if the finances increase; seconded by Matt. Motion carried.
2. 2010 Budget – Tony, Karen and Elizabeth were supposed to talk about finances. But since then we have received our final FY09 allocation and have received information on FY11 possible funding.

When we have the new audit we can come up with a better idea of what district finances will look like at the end of the year.

3. Director Liability Insurance – There has been no information provided yet. Karen will follow up again with the agent. She will have more information at the October meeting.
4. ECD Funds – Liz Heinzmann – Liz is looking into an investment CDAR account that would get the district a better rate of return on interest. The account that she is checking into has an interest rate of 1.15% - 1.35%. We will invest as soon as the next opening comes to the bank.

New Business:

Correspondence:

1. Fayette County total customer contact report – Tony put the report together. Report on file
2. 9/11/2009 Meeting with Mr. Jennings – Rich Nichols – Report on file
3. 2010 SWCD Allocation - Rich Nichols – Report on file.

Update Conservation Field Days – Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> – The weather was great. We had a school show up on the wrong day but everything still worked out great. We just took the free period away on the first day and ended up giving the presenters 3 free periods on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day.

Update Paper Recycling Day – Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> – We gathered 7860 lb. of paper. Kendrick Paper donated the semi for the day. They also left Gaylord boxes for the city to use for their continuous recycling.

Update Forestry & Pond Management Workshop – Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> – It is being held at the Bingaman and Burnam farms south of Brownstown. There is a tour in the morning and a tour in the afternoon, lunch is provided. There will hopefully be about 50-60 people in attendance.

Update Fayette County Board Finance Committee Meeting – The meeting was held August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00. Liz, Tony and Karen were in attendance. The county board members said that they would give us as much of an appropriation as possible. We asked for \$10,000 this year.

Employee Association Dues – Tony and Karen should pay employee association dues each year and the board was an associate member. The dues are \$10.00 each. Gale moved to pay the dues; seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

Soil Judging Contest – It will be held on October 6<sup>th</sup> north of Altamont.

CPP Update – We finished 5 projects and are waiting on bills to be submitted.

RC Annual Leave – Tony is requesting the following leave for the remainder of the year - Oct 12-16, Nov 1-14, Dec 7-11, and Dec 28-30. Gale moved to allow the leave; seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

November Board Meeting – The meeting has been moved to November 24<sup>th</sup>. Elizabeth moved to reschedule the meeting; seconded by Matt. Motion carried.

Employee Contracts – Jake signed the employee contracts.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

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Gale Meseke, Secretary