Menard County Soil and Water Conservation District April Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2025 @ 8:30 A.M.

<u>Present</u>: George Staab(Chairman), Kenton Bell(Vice-Chairman), David Dowell(Director), Ryan Todd(Director), Nikki Moore(IDOA Regional Rep) and Bruce Davis(R/C)

Absent: John Lyons(Sec/Treas)

Vice-Chairman Bell called the meeting to order at 8:31 A.M.

Old Business:

- Approval of Minutes from March 11th meeting
- Checks were ordered and received and then reordered due to coming with only one signature line. Should have them shortly
- Election info submitted
- Sent \$100 to the Envirothon
- Signed PFC Component List sent into IDOA

A motion to approve the Old Business was made by Vice-Chairman Bell and seconded by Director Dowell.

New Business:

- Financials- Vice Chairman Bell made a motion to approve the financials, Director Todd seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- The R/C report was presented to the board. Chairman Staab Made a motion to approve, Vice-Chairman Bell seconded it. All were in favor.
- IDOA/BLWR Updates-Regional Rep Moore filled the board in on some recent updates from the IDOA/BLWR
- Equipment Rental- R/C Davis gave an update on the equipment rentals since the last meeting.
- Fall Fish Sale- Decided to try new supplier this fall. Not decided to completely switch from current supplier due to good customer service. Date will be discussed further at a later time. Chairman Staab made a motion to approve and Vice-Chairman Bell Seconded it. All were in favor.

- The Outdoor Lockable Storage Shed was approved as a good idea. Will try to find a model that will fit our needs. Chairman Staab made a motion to approve, and Vice-Chairman Bell seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- Decided to switch to only a fall tree sale this year. Going to get trees from Mason Tree Farm. Will advertise in newsletter and decide final details at a later time. Chairman Staab made a motion to approve, and Vice-Chairman Bell seconded it. All were in favor.
- Sponsorship letters have been sent out to past sponsors. Waiting for responses.
- Looking into possible future scholarship as community outreach. Rep Moore is going to see if she can get some info from other district's that do it. Will be discussed further at a later time. Chairman Staab made a motion to approve, and Vice-Chairman Bell seconded it. All were in favor.
- It was decided to have Director Dowell get a quote from Tuttle's for tire replacement on the scraper. At a minimum, we need to have the front tire that is flat replaced, but would like to get a price to replace them all. Director Dowell made a motion to approve, and Chairmen Staab seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- It was decided to move our native plant sale to the fall with our tree sale. Will advertise in the newsletter as well.
- It was decided that the yearly equipment maintenance fee is on a calendar year basis. R/C Davis will be collecting that from all renters. Chairman Staab Made a motion to approve and Vice-Chairman Bell seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- It was decided to renew our SAM registration. Vice-Chairman Todd made a motion to approve and Director Todd seconded it. All were in favor.

A motion to approve all New Business was made by Vice-Chairman Bell and seconded by Director Dowell. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 A.M. by Vice-Chairman Bell and seconded by Chairman Staab. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chairman