

***Marion County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board Meeting Minutes – February 14, 2008***

The Marion County Soil and Water Conservation District met February 14, 2008 at the SWCD/NRCS office. Directors present included Steve McConnaughay, Mac Garrett, Roger Meyer and Duane Snow. Evelyn Bartley and Ed Gerstenecker, Associate Directors; Tony Antonacci, District Conservationist; Burke Davies, Resource Conservationist and Debbie Holsapple, Administrative Coordinator were also in attendance. Director Ken Heinzmann was absent.

The chairman called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. Mac Garrett motioned to approve the agenda. Steve McConnaughay seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the January minutes, employee time sheets and treasurer's reports. The January treasurer report reflected the following balances – \$7897.41 on deposit in the district's operations account at Marion County Savings; \$32505.64 on deposit in the Illinois Funds investment account; \$8034.57 on deposit in the Illinois Funds CPP program account; \$25.00 in the petty cash fund, \$34092.00 on deposit in the Illinois Funds farm investment account and \$57480.00 in the Peoples National Bank. Steve McConnaughay motioned to approve the treasurer report, timesheets and minutes as presented. Duane Snow seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The FY2008 IDA allocations were discussed. Roger Meyer shared correspondence from the AISWCD with the board members. No actions were taken regarding the budget situation.

The board discussed the local work group. The next meeting will be held on April 3, 2008. The board will decide who to invite to this meeting at the March board meeting.

Burke Davies discussed the status of the CPP program as reported in his report.

The purchase of the hams for the annual meeting will be \$50 for 10 hams. Steve McConnaughay found a sale advertisement at IGA and we were able to purchase the 10 hams at the sale price.

The board discussed legislative day scheduled for April 3, 2008.

Steve McConnaughay motioned to purchase poster board from Office Products and to give the same prizes as in past years. Mac Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Steve McConnaughay motioned to purchase Great Plains coulters, bearings and other parts as needed for the repair of the GP drill. Mac Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Duane Snow motioned to pay Burke Davies \$255.58 and Debbie Holsapple \$117.60 for mileage expenses. Mac Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Duane Snow motioned to allow Burke Davies to judge at the Raccoon Grade School's Science Fair. Mac Garrett seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Tony Antonacci reviewed the attached NRCS report.

Steve McConnaughay motioned to cancel Kent Crawford's cooperator agreement. Duane Snow seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ed Gerstenecker invited the meeting attendees to the Farm Bureau breakfast on March 18th. The cost is 35 cents and RFD will be broadcasting at the breakfast.

Mac Garrett motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 p.m. Roger Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next board meeting will be held on March 13, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room of the USDA service center.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve McConnaughay
Secretary-Treasurer