

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

“Helping People Help the Land”



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District V

PR & I

Jason Miller
District II

Staff

District Administrator

Shelly Lewis

Program Manager

Craig Christensen

Resource Specialist

Devin Ryan

Members Present:

Mona Henkels-Vice Chair
Paul Posthuma- Secretary
Karen Hurd-Treasurer
Jason Miller-P.R. &I.

Member Absent:

Anthony Conrad-Chair

Others Present:

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator
Craig Christensen-Program Manager
Devin Ryan-Resource Specialist
Cheryl Heard-District Conservationist

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

Additions to Agenda: The chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda.

A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Posthuma to approve the agenda with the following additions:

Motion to hire Colin Christensen part time during the tree planting season.

Motion to sign RCRCRA Joint powers agreement

Discuss Fair Booth

Discuss Resolutions

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Minutes of April 13, 2023: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Miller to

approve the Murray SWCD April 13, 2023, minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None
Motion carried

The monthly Statement of Treasurer was read and filed for audit.

Salaries: Motion by Posthuma second by Hurd to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for April 2023.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None.

Motion carried.

DC Report: Cheryl reported on personnel that were leaving the area. The NRCS will be having openings for the positions.

EQIP: 42 applications with 2.4 million funded

CSP-extended 2 more weeks

Ag Certification: The Board reviewed the Ag Certification report for April, 2023.

Part time temporary help: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Miller to hire Colin Christensen for part time temporary help with planting trees.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

RCRCA Joint Powers Agreement: A motion by Henkels seconded Miller to approve and sign the RCRCA Joint Powers Agreement.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Murray County Fair Booth: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Hurd to purchase a booth to promote the Murray SWCD at the Murray County Fair August 16-19, 2023, in the Main Commercial building.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Resolutions: The Supervisors discussed resolutions from the Murray SWCD.

District Administrator Update: Lewis updated the Board on the following
April end of month

Annual report for newspaper

Setup QuickBooks accounts for the Des Moines River 1W1P (sent out invoices for the MCIT insurance to the counties), opened a checking account

Des Moines 1W1P steering meeting on April 14, 2023

TSA Managers meeting on April 18 in Slayton
Des Moines 1W1P meeting on April 20, 2023
Met with the County Commissioners on April 25, 2023 to request 1st quarter allocation.

Program Manager Update: Christensen updated the Board on the following:

2 cost-share projects completed
½ way done planting trees
Tiller is not working-Craig will look into costs of a new Tiller
Packer is not working-2 bearing out
Des Moines River 1W1P meetings

Resource Specialist: Ryan updated the Board on the following:

Looking at tile requests
Been working on designing projects

Bills: A motion by Posthuma seconded by Miller to approve the Murray SWCD bills from April 12, 2023-May 13, 2023, in the amount of \$21,978.31.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

Next Meeting: Friday, June 2, 2023

Approved by Paul Posthuma, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date