

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

“Helping People Help the Land”



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Treasurer

Karen Hurd
District V

PR & I

Mona Henkels
District IV

Staff

District Administrator

Shelly Lewis

Program Manager

Craig Christensen

Resource Specialist

Danielle Kuball

Members Present:

Jason Miller- Vice Chairman

Karen Hurd-Treasurer

Mona Henkels-P.R.&I.

Members Absent:

Paul Posthuma-Chairman

Anthony Conrad-Secretary

Others Present:

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator

Allisa Wendland-District Conservationist

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

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

A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve the agenda as presented.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Minutes of January 09, 2025: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve the Murray SWCD minutes of January 9, 2025.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

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

Salaries: Motion by Hurd second by Henkels to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for January, 2025.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None.
Motion carried.

DC Report: Allisa reported on the following:

Personnel -Funds are on hold
EQIP
CSP

- Murray County has 33 applications

CRP

- On hold

RCPP

- Not funded for FY25 thru MDA/ Danielle Evers

WETLAND N/HEL Compliance

- steady

Ag Certification: The Board reviewed the ag certification for January 2025.

Murray SWCD 2025 Annual Plan: The Board reviewed the Murray SWCD 2025 Annual Plan. A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve the Murray SWCD 2025 Annual Plan .

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

Request for Information for the RCPP funds: The Board discussed the RCPP funds. A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Miller to approve to respond to the Request for Information for RCPP funds.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

Legislative Briefing & Day at the Capitol: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Miller to approve Supervisors and Staff attending the Legislative Briefing & Day at the Capitol on March 4-5, 2025.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

MASWCD Area V meeting February 20, 2025: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve Supervisors and Staff attending the MASWCD Area V meeting on February 20, 2025 via web.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

Spring Managers meeting: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve Lewis attending the Spring Managers meeting in St. Cloud on March 27-28, 2025.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

District Administrator Update: Lewis updated the Board on the following:
Murray SWCD, SWPTSA, & Des Moines River 1W1P:

- End of month
- End of quarter
- End of Year- W-2s, 1099s
- eLINK reporting on 15 grants
- SWPTSA meeting via web on January 13
- Des Moines River 1W1P meeting on January 16
- Putting cost-share projects in eLINK

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

- Attended Missouri 1W1P meeting on February 12, 2025
- Working on RIM & CREP ownership changes
- Worked on a RIM Grasslands application
- Working on Tree Orders

Resource Specialist:

- Hydrology Webinar (2-day online training)
- Des Moines River Meetings
- Finalized Lake Shetek Valhalla Project (Decision approved)
- RCPP Soil Health Webinar
- Kirlin Violation meeting in DMR 35 with the TEP (a definite violation)
 - Took GPS points and working on a restoration letter
- Conservation Planner Certified for RCPP (Online training through NRCS, many trainings – pretty much done)
- Finalized WCA annual reporting
- WCA 101 Webinars
- Sent letters to producers waiting for a decision regarding Ag-Exemption (waiting for Certified Wetland Determinations to finalize – about 18 letters – Devin suggested sending letters)
- MS4 reporting

Bills: A motion by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve the Murray SWCD bills from January 10, 2025-February 13, 2025, in the amount of \$2,783.63.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

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The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 13, 2025

Approved by Anthony Conrad, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date