



SWITZERLAND COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Supervisors Present

Ken Briggs
Chase Kelso
John Schroer
Shawna Andrew

SWCD Present

Cheryl Furnish
Katie Collier

Guests Present

Not Present

David Schuler

NRCS Present

Matt Jarvis

Previous Board Minutes

The minutes from the June meeting were reviewed. Shawna moved and Chase seconded to approve the minutes and all were in favor. Board members present signed the minutes.

Financial Report

The claims were reviewed. Chase moved and Shawna seconded to pay the claims and all were in favor. Board members present signed the account payable voucher register.

Forestry Field Day

We will be meeting with Purdue Extension soon to plan the 5th grade Forestry Day that will be held at the end of September. We will be hosting the Birds of Prey as the main presentation this year.

Employee Evaluations

Packets for employee evaluations will be sent to board members with the board meeting packets for the September meeting.

Upcoming Workshops

Employees will be meeting with Purdue Extension Ohio County on August 7th to brainstorm ideas for upcoming workshops. Cheryl and Matt discussed the idea of doing hay testing again for producers in the county. Katie and Cheryl are working with Casie through the Indian-Kentuck Watershed to host a Septic Workshop in late fall or early winter.

Local Area Working Group Meeting

The group decided to have the local working group meeting during the September board meeting.

Silly Safari

The Silly Safari presentation was again a big hit at the county fair. There was a large crowd present for the event with a lot of positive feedback for those who attended.

Indian-Kentuck Watershed

The steering committee met today to discuss the progress of the cost share program. \$126,000 has been invoiced to date. Two producers in Switzerland County will be paid for seedings soon plus another producer for fencing and an HUAP. Terry at HHH will be applying for a second round of funding in September.

Technician Report

Cheryl discussed the June and July drill report with the board. The no-till drill was used for 13 acres for a total of \$180.

NRCS

Matt told the board that the new State Conservationist has been hired and has started work in Indianapolis. His name is Jerry Reiner and he is from North Carolina. A crop day will be held at SEPAC in Butlerville soon as well as a Beef Field Day near Jasper.

Other

A thank you card was given to the board for their sponsorship of a Grand Champion 4H plaque. Cheryl and Matt discussed the meeting they attended concerning permitting to work in creeks and waterways in the county. Representatives from HHH, County Commissioners, County Highway, IDEM, US Corp. of Engineers were present at the meeting as well as Representative Randall Frye. With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:30. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 5th at 7:00 pm at the SWCD office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Collier