



SWITZERLAND COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Switzerland County SWCD
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Supervisors Present

Ken Briggs
Chase Kelso
Jeanette Andrew
David Schuler

SWCD Present

Cheryl Furnish
Katie Collier

Guests Present

Mark Thomas

Not Present

John Schroer

NRCS Present
Matt Jarvis

****Employee Evaluations were completed prior to the start of the meeting along with the Local Area Resource Concern Meeting.**

Previous Board Minutes

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

Financial Report

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

ISDA Report

Mark Thomas updated the board on the approaching seeding dates for the waterways being constructed in the county. He also discussed the new EPRI cost share program that will cost share on tree plantings. The board discussed the differences in CRP versus the EPRI program along with where in the state the EPRI program could be implemented.

District Computers

The District has two old computers that are no longer in service and have been wiped cleaned by NRCS. The board decided to give the computers away as they are old and would need a new operating system installed.

Livestock Pest Meeting

The District is working with Ohio County Extension to host a livestock pest meeting on Thursday, September 29th at the senior center in Vevay starting at 6:30. DNR officer Matt Hicks will be on hand to discuss the black buzzard problem in the county along with other pests that affect livestock.

Conservation Breakfast

A tentative date of November 4th has been set for the Conservation Breakfast. The topics to be covered are grazing cover crops and how to kill the cover crops in the spring. We are hoping to be able to provide PARP credits for the meeting.

Forestry Field Day

The 5th grade forestry field day will be held on Thursday, October 6th at the fairgrounds in Vevay. We are expecting around 120 students who will enjoy a half day with 5 speakers and a birds of prey demonstration. All students will go back to school for lunch after the conclusion of the program.

Beef Meeting

The meeting was well attended with around 60 people participating. There were updates given by FSA, NRCS and the SWCD along with presentations by Ohio County Extension, Matt Parker DVM and a representative from ADM discussing nutrition.

Indian-Kentuck Watershed

Three payments have been sent to IDEM for invoicing by the Switzerland County SWCD office totaling \$7,600.

Technician Report

The Brillion Seeder was used in August for 25.5 acres and the county cost share program has paid out \$5,600 for pasture/hay land seeding.

NRCS

Three more EQIP applications have been funded.

Other

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 5th at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katie Collier