KNOX COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 604 S. Quail Run Road, Vincennes, IN 47591 Wednesday February 19th, 2025

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

Present

Gene Flaningam – Chairman Jim Farris – Supervisor Jen Holscher – Supervisor Ray Chattin – Associate Shawn McDowell – Associate Clevie Bennett - Associate Tracey Johnson – Administrative Assistant Shalyn Sargeant – Program Manager Christopher Nettles – Watershed Specialist Gavin Benock – District Technician Troy Hinkle – CEO Tom Held – NRCS

Absent:

Nathan Debord – Supervisor Andy Miller – Supervisor Ben Burke – Resource Specialist Hillary Dreiman – Soi Health Specialist

Meeting called to order

The February 19th, 2025, meeting was called to order at 7:04 am by Chairman Gene Flaningam.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Jim Farris made a motion to approve. Jen Holscher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>IDEA Fall Conference</u> – Tracey asked the Board for a \$1,000.00 to help support the 2025 Fall Conference. Jen Holscher made a motion to approve the \$1,000.00 for the support. Jim Farris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Annual Meeting</u> – Tracey told the Board that she would be calling them next Friday (2/28) for their ticket counts. Shalyn talked about the expenses for the meeting.

<u>Credit Card Limit</u> – Shalyn asked the Board to raise the credit card limit. When we were at conference in January, we were over out limit with everyone that attended. Jim Farris made a motion to raise limit up to &7,500.00. Jen Holscher seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Duke Energy Foundation</u> – Troy told the Board that we were invited to apply for a Duke Energy Foundation grant last week and we submitted an application with a request for \$10,000.00. In order for Duke to process our application and disburse the funds, we have to create an account with Benevity, the organization that manages disbursements for the Foundation, Benevity requires our bank account information so that they can direct deposit funds, and we are requesting Board approval to provide that information to Benevity. Jen Holscher made a motion to approve. Jim Farris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stem Academy at V.U. – Curt Coffman talked with Ray Chattin about the Stem Academy at V.U. for junior and senior high school students. Curt ask Ray to ask the Board if they would like to purchase something to help with this class. Jen Holscher made a motion to approve to purchase something at \$1,000.00. Jim Farris seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>CISMA</u> – Ray Chattin asked the Board that if they would hire 4 interns for the summer, CISMA will pay \$1,000.00 per person to help with payroll expenses. Troy will work on the budget with county to see where we stand.

Nathan Debord made a motion to approve all claims as written. Jim Farris seconded motion. Motion carried. Claims VISA \$877.52 (February Credit Bill), Marathon \$454.07 (February Credit Bill), Deluxe Business Forms \$367.99 (Check order), VISA \$4.692.56 (March Credit Bill), Memering Motorplex \$332.85 (Battery for car), IDEA \$300.00 (2025 Membership), IASWCD \$2,500.00 (USH Support), Highland Woods Community Center \$300.00 (Highland Woods rental), Illusions Bridal \$ (Annual meeting table cloth rentals), Carla's (Annual Meeting catering), IDEA (2025 Conference Support), KC Ag Day Committee (annual meeting plaques), Paxton Media Group \$25.41 Catering \$ \$100.00 (Ag Day Support), Haven Solution \$ (Booklets for Annual Meeting). (Legal ad for Annual meeting), Ewing Printing \$

Adjourn: Jim Farris made a motion to adjourn at 8:12 am. Jen Holscher seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday March 19th, 2025, at 7:00 a.m.

Approved by