

**ALLAMAKEE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**July 5, 2017**

**TIME 6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

Those attending

Commissioners: Jack Knight, Don Elsbernd, Josh Dee and Mike O'Hare

Staff: LuAnn Rolling, Brianne Wild

Guest Speakers: Matt Frana and Allie Rath

The monthly meeting of the Allamakee Soil and Water Conservation District commissioners was called to order at 6:07 p.m. at the Allamakee USDA Service Center in Waukon by Chairman Jack Knight.

**1. Adopt Agenda.**

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Elsbernd and seconded by Dee. The motion carried unanimously.

**2. Approve minutes from June**

A motion to approve the minutes from June was made by Elsbernd and seconded by O'hare. The motion carried unanimously

**3. Approve Financial Report and bills from June**

**\$140.00- Hacker & Nelson Payroll**

**\$2,052.10- Tri State Precision Ag LLC-GPS**

**\$45.00- CDI washable Tattoo Order for fairbooth**

**A motion to approve the financial report and bills from June were made by Elsbernd and seconded by Dee. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A. Upper Iowa River Watershed Management-Matt Frana-See attached report**

**B. Pheasants Forever Update-Allie Rath- See attached report, Tabled request for funding until next meeting.**

**A motion to table the decision on Allie's funding was made by Elsbernd and seconded by O'Hare. The motion carried unanimously.**

## OLD BUSINESS

### **A. Update of Ongoing Initiatives by Rolling**

Rolling reported Don put our GPS unit on our Kubota! We have been meeting cover crop producers and doing soil health on their farms. We are finishing up CRP's and there have been several EQIP projects that are completed that we have to certify. Megan is leaving us on July 24<sup>th</sup> to take a position in Kansas.

### **B. Leopold Grant Report**

#### **1. Reimbursement Request from Leopold Center for \$1,952.50**

See sara's attached report.

A motion to approve the reimbursement and report for sara was made by Elsbernd, and seconded by Dee. The motion carried unanimously.

### **A. Watershed Inspections Results**

**Rolling went over a few fixes that will need to be done to the structures and present them to the board of supervisors next week for approval. Most of the structures it is just minor things.**

### **B. RC&D Donation**

**A motion to approve giving the RC&D \$500 donation from unspecified funds was made by Dee and seconded by Elsbernd. The motion carried unanimously.**

### **C. Palmer Amaranth Letter for native CRP's**

**A motion to send out the letters on palmer amaranth to all producers from 2016, 2017, and 2018 that have seeded natives was made by Elsbernd and seconded by O'Hare. The motion carried unanimously.**

## NEW BUSINESS

- A. Photo Contest- Winner is Dan Byrnes we will award him with an SWCD t-shirt and a WW dairy \$10 gift card.
- B. Fairbooth Sign up-2 hr time slots.
- C. Audit-Need someone to come in and check.
- D. State Allocation- FYI
  - 1. IFIP- \$51,987.00
  - 2. REAP/F-\$2,424.87
  - 3. REAP/P-\$7,274.59

### **Assistance Request**

Rick Rodenberg- on Randy Brenton Farm –Buffers 1.5 ac. Estimated Cost-\$450.00

A motion to approve the assistance request was made by Elsbernd and seconded by O’Hare. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Completed**

Lars Palmer-Buffers Eligible Cost-\$3,600.00

SBJ Farms- Buffers-Eligible Cost-\$3,000.00

Rick Rodenberg-Buffers-Eligible Cost-\$450.00

Randy Wedo-Campbell Farm-Buffers-Eligible Cost-\$6,030.00

Dale Conard-TSI-Eligible Cost-\$3,275.00 Cost-Share-\$1,710.00

Lars Palmer-Buffers-Eligible Cost-\$3,600.00

A motion to approve the completed projects was made by O’Hare and seconded by Elsbernd. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Plan Revisions**

Rick Rodenberg- Brenton Farm T-630

Ryan Collins-Robert Heffern TIP-51.4 ac.

A motion to approve the plan revisions was made by O’Hare and seconded by Elsbernd. The motion carried unanimously.

### **CRP Re-enroll**

RAL LC-5.7 ac.-ok to approve

James Fahey-10.05 ac.-ok to approve

Richard Johnson-14.61 ac.- ok to approve

Turkey Ridge LLC- 9.4 ac.-does not meet requirements

Turkey Ridge LLC-12.49 ac.-ok to approve

Kay Zimmerman/Janet Kreitzer-24.09 ac.-ok to approve

Irish Hill Farm-4.78 ac.-ok to approve

Irish Hill Farm-26.96 ac.- ok to approve

Michael Lenius-19.61 ac.-ok to approve

Duane Vorseth-8.55-ok to approve

Duane Vorseth-112.28 ac.-Does not meet requirements

Dean Bernhard- 65.02 ac. Does not meet requirements

Lori Hedeman- 16.49 ac. – ok to approve

Paradise Hunting Club LLC-22.33 ac.-Does not meet requirements

Scott Schmidt-9.54 ac.-ok to approve

Matt Wagner- 52.33 ac.- Does not meet requirements

James McCormick-9.3 ac.-ok to approve

James McCormick-5.79 ac.-ok to approve

Ron Hesse-14.72 ac.-ok to approve

Randy Kruger-1.03 ac.-ok to approve  
Alex & Neil Galema/Angela Colsch- 20.7 ac.-Does not meet requirements  
Alex & Neil Galema/Angela Coslch-17.11 ac.-ok to approve  
Norman Renk-5.19 ac.-ok to approve  
Jeff Molitor-17.57 ac.-ok to approve  
James Wachter- 49.06 ac.-Does not meet requirements  
Gander Family Farm LLP-10.63 ac.-ok to approve  
Donald Piche-13.92 ac.-ok to approve  
Joey Duwe-22.53 ac.-ok to approve  
James Burke-42.06 ac.-ok to approve  
Stewart Acres LLC-27.66 ac.-ok to approve  
Stewart Acres LLC-6.64 ac.- ok to approve  
Don Aldrich-106.32 ac.- ok to approve

A motion to approve the CRP re-enrolls was made by Dee and seconded by O'Hare. Elsbernd abstained from voting. The motion carried.

**CRP New**

Nelson Converse- 1.8 ac.-ok to approve  
Blake Family Part. LLP- 84.49 ac. – Does not meet requirements

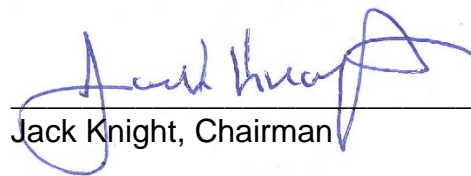
A motion to approve the new CRP was made by O'hare and seconded by Elsbernd. The motion carried unanimously.

Misc

Next Meeting Date: Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 6 p.m.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 was made by Elsbernd and seconded by O'Hare. The motion carried unanimously.

  
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Jack Knight, Chairman

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Brienne Wild, Conservation Assistant