

ALLAMAKEE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

March 6, 2018

TIME 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Those attending

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

Staff: Sara Berges and Brianne Wild

1. Meeting Called to Order.

The monthly meeting of the Allamakee Soil and Water Conservation District commissioners was called to order at 8:35 a.m. at the Allamakee USDA Service Center in Waukon by Chairman Jack Knight

2. Adopt Agenda.

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

3. Approve minutes from February

A motion to approve the meeting minutes from January was made by Elsbernd and seconded by O'Hare. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approve Financial Report and bills from February

\$100- H&R Block

\$63.94-Rite Price Office Supply- Newsletter labels

\$300.85-USPS-Newsletter Mailing

A motion to approve the financial report and bills was made by O'Hare and seconded by Elsbernd. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Update the Ongoing Initiatives

Brianne reported that the office is currently working on CSP and EQIP. Hope to be meeting with the CSP participants this month.

B. Leopold Grant/RCPP Project Report

a. Reimbursement request from Leopold for \$2,220.13

b. Reimbursement request from RCPP for \$2,376.58

c. Request from Iowa Learning Farms to have Sara present the June 20 webinar on including conservation in farm leases – would have to drive to Ames to do the presentation in their facility

d. Quarterly accrual report due to NRCS March 13 for period Jan 1, 2018 – March 31, 2018

Berges reported that she has mostly been working on her RCPP applicants for EQIP. She is also figuring out a day to have the Weymiller cover crop field day it will be determined at a later date depending on weather. She has also been working with the City on the new water treatment facility that will be installed and helping with the water quality part of things.

A motion to approve Sara's report and reimbursement requests and the accrual report was made by Elsbernd and seconded by McCormick. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

A. Photo Contest

The commissioners made a motion to let Brianne and Sara have \$100 cash prizes for the winners and give out at their discretion made by McCormick and seconded by O'Hare. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Scholarship

A motion to approve giving all 3 applicants a \$500 scholarship award paid out of revolving fund was made by McCormick and seconded by O'Hare. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Intern

A motion to approve offering the IDALS internship to Austin Day and if he passes then offer to Helen the motion was made by Elsbernd and seconded by O'hare. The motion carried unanimously.

EQIP

Derek Bentien-Cover Crop

Kerry Troendle-RCPP Pasture

Hansmeier Children-Streambank

A motion to approve the EQIP applications was made by McCormick and seconded by Elsbernd. The motion carried unanimously.

Plan Revisions

Ron Landsom-96.2 ac.

HMML-62.6 ac.

HMML-124.6 ac.

Jeff Polfer-95.6 ac.

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

Misc.

Next Meeting Date: April 3, 2018 8:30 a.m weather depending

Adjourn

Chairman, Jack Knight

Conservation Assistant Brianne Wild