

ALLAMAKEE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

February 4, 2025

9:00 a.m.

Minutes

1. Meeting Called to Order.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Elsbernd at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room at the USDA office.

2. Adopt Agenda.

14-25

A motion to adopt the agenda was made by Kruger and seconded by Peterson. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approve minutes from December

15-25

A motion to approve the minutes from the December meeting was made by Kruger and seconded by Peterson. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Approve Financial Report December

16-25

A motion to approve the financial report was made by Kruger and seconded by Pladsen. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Update of Ongoing Initiatives by Cottrell

Cottrell reported that discussed the current uncertainty of the government funding and the emails that all federal employees are receiving. We are currently in a hiring freeze.

B. Call for Resolutions

Brianne presented the REAP resolutions the board had talked about and the board agreed to send them to the other counties to see if they would like to partner with us on submitting the resolution.

C. RCPP Update

All projects have been completed and the project will finish up on April 1st. So Barb will be done as Project Coordinator at such date.

D. CDI Spring Regionals Meeting-FYI

Rossville Store 9:30 am. – 2:00 p.m.

\$25/ plate Pork Loin or Beef Tips with mashed potatoes, corn, and salad

RSVP's due by February 26th

E. 5- year plan review

The board reviewed their 5 year plan and decided to add sending out a quarterly information sheet by email to the producers to help them remember deadlines and find out about programs coming out in a timely manner.

F. IDALS Intern Final Report for 2024 intern

17-25

A motion to approve the intern reporting for the final reporting time period was made by Kruger and seconded by Peterson. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Newsletter- Almost finished will complete after scholarship winners are chosen

NEW BUSINESS

A. Commissioner Training online February 5th -FYI

B. Turkey River Watershed Donation Request

18-25 motion to approve giving the Turkey River Watershed a donation in the amount of \$250 was made by Kruger and seconded by Pladsen. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Pheasants Forever Quarterly Report FYI Also Cole has taken a different position back in his hometown they are interviewing to fill his position here already.

D. Yellow River Coordinator Vacancy

Currently we have no applicants for the Yellow River Vacancy. The commissioner decided to run the ad for another 2 weeks and see if we can include it into the Driftless and the shopper to see if that helps.

Assistance Request

124243	REAP P	Hahn, David	Forest Stand Improvement	\$640.00	\$480.00
124251	REAP F/NG	PRESTEMON, DAVID	Forest Stand Improvement	\$1,168.00	\$876.00
124259	REAP F/NG	Gardner, Matthew	Forest Stand Improvement	\$800.00	\$600.00
124244	REAP P	Hahn, David	Tree/Shrub Establishment	\$3,200.00	\$2,400.00
124084	REAP P	Wedemeier, Scott	Windbreak	\$2,200.00	\$1,600.00

19-25 A motion to approve the assistance requests was made by Pladsen and seconded by Kruger. The motion carried unanimously.

Completed Projects

WQI	118916	Todd Snitker	Cover Crops-1	\$9,600.00	\$4,800.00
WQI	120961	Megan Koehn	Cover Crops-1	\$2,100.00	\$700.00
WQI	121568	Brad Schwartzhoff	Cover Crops-1	\$9,600.00	\$3,200.00

WQI	121575	Thomas Berns	Cover Crops-1	\$9,600.00	\$3,200.00
WQI	121706	Shane Gavin	Cover Crops-1	\$6,000.00	\$2,000.00
WQI	118537	Jeffrey Huinker	Cover Crops-1	\$9,600.00	\$3,200.00
WQI	118538	Michael Johanningmeier	Cover Crops-1	\$4,800.00	\$1,600.00
WQI	118539	Brian Enyart	Cover Crops-1	\$9,000.00	\$3,000.00

WQI	118635	Trevor Herman	Cover Crops-1	\$9,600.00	\$4,800.00
WQI	118637	Brian Herman	Cover Crops-1	\$9,600.00	\$4,800.00
WQI	118639	Herman Family LP	Cover Crops-1	\$9,600.00	\$4,800.00

20-25

A motion to approve the completed projects was made by Kruger and seconded by Pladsen. The motion carried unanimously.

Misc.

Next Meeting Date March 11th @ 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn

21-25

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Pladsen and seconded by Kruger. The motion carried unanimously

Donald Elsbernd, Chairman

Brianne Wild, Conservation Asst.