

## Wells County Soil & Water Conservation District 117 W. Harvest Road • Bluffton, IN 46714 Phone (260) 824-1930 ext. 3

## **SWCD MEETING MINUTES - Feb. 14, 2023**

The Wells Co. SWCD met on Feb. 14, 2023 at 9:00 am. at the NRCS/SWCD office at 117 West Harvest Road, Bluffton, IN. Supervisor's present were: Eric Johnson, Jarrod Kunkel and Andy Evans. Others present were Sara Day; NRCS District Conservationist, Erin Burke; NRCS Soil Conservationist, Dave Lefforge; ISDA RS & Lynne Huffman; SWCD District Coordinator. Minutes from the Dec. 13, 2022 meeting were presented. Eric Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes, Jarin Tucker seconded, the motion carried. The Treasurer's report ending Feb. 1st was presented. Eric Johnson made a motion to accept the treasurers report, Jarin Tucker seconded. The motion carried.

**Old Business:** None

<u>New Business:</u> Annual Meeting – Posters for the contest were presented, each board member chose their 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each grade. Everything is confirmed for meeting. Lynne asked how much we should give Southern Wells FFA for helping to serve, after discussion, Jarin Tucker made a motion to pay them \$150.00. Eric seconded. Presenters, Registration and other tasks were assigned. Set up will be at 10am on Thursday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>. Approve Depository – First Merchants is our current Financial Institution. Discussed if there was a need to switch, after discussion, Eric made a motion to stay with First Merchants, Jarin seconded.

<u>Conservation Application</u>: Sara Day said EQIP date has passed and they have approximately 35 applications. Currently working on 2 CSP applications. The date for fall Locally Led meeting is getting moved up to earlier in late Spring/Early Summer. More info to come.

**Reports:** CWI Wells/Huntington 2022 –All money is currently allocated except for approximately \$1,500, Salamonie 319 – This grant is Live now and Lynne is working getting a flyer made along with assembling a steering committee that will meet quarterly. UWR- Applications needed for land located in Allen County. Rule 5- Lynne completed 2 for Lancaster Park expansion and County Home Road reconstruction.

<u>Other Business</u>: *March Meeting Date* – March normal meeting date will need changed due to prior commitments. New date for March meeting will be March 7th at 9am.

Claim forms were signed, Eric made a motion to adjourn, Jarin seconded. Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, Mar. 7th at 9am at NRCS/SWCD Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynne A. Huffman

District Coordinator

Wells Co. SWCD

Minutes Approved:

Date: 3/7/23