



Wells County Soil & Water Conservation District
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SWCD MEETING MINUTES – July 11, 2023

The Wells Co. SWCD met on July 11, 2023 at 9:00 am. at the NRCS/SWCD office at 117 West Harvest Road, Bluffton, IN. Supervisor's present were: Eric Johnson, Jarin Tucker, Dustin Arnold & Jonathan Patterson. Others present were Sara Day; NRCS District Conservationist, Kylie Wheeler: ISDA District Support Specialist and Lynne Huffman; SWCD District Coordinator. Minutes from the June 6, 2023 meeting were presented. Jonathan Patterson made a motion to accept the minutes, Dustin Arnold seconded, the motion carried. The Treasurer's report ending July 5th was presented. Jarin Tucker made a motion to accept the treasurers report, Jonathan seconded. The motion carried.

Old Business: *None*

New Business: *Grant Updates* – The Lower Salamonie 319 Grant cost share has been accepted and is ready to go. I have received several applications from Huntington County. *Joint Field Day* – We need to hold a field day for the Clean Water Indiana Grant and for the Lower Salamonie 319 grant. After discussion, we will hold one field day on Soil Health and one field day on On Site Septic Systems. Lynne will reach out to L.A. Brown to see if we can partner with him for a field day during smart septic week. Jonathan Patterson would be open to hosting the soil health field day at his place, but it needs to be held in the grant area. Lynne will work on finding a location.

Conservation Application: Sara Day reports that CSP deadline is July 21st. She also spoke about getting better prepared for “pop up” sign ups that are sprung on them with little turn around such as the Inflation Reduction Act funds.

Reports: *CWI Wells/Huntington 2022* –All Wells County money is spoken for, *Salamonie 319* –Cost Share specifics have been approved by IDEM. Ready to accept applications. UWR- Applications needed for land located in Tier 1 and Tier 2. *Rule 5-* I-Town Church, Lancaster Park were processed last month.

Other Business: *None*

Claim forms were signed, Dustin made a motion to adjourn, Jonathan seconded. Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be on Tuesday, Aug. 8th at 9am at NRCS/SWCD Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynne A. Huffman
District Coordinator
Wells Co. SWCD
Minutes Approved:

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