

Grundy County SWCD  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes of January 24, 2023

Directors present: Mark Mitchell, David Lowery, and Tyson Dollinger  
Staff present: Brooke Katcher and Lauren Lenox  
NRCS Staff: Jen Hamer  
Guest present: None

Mark Mitchell called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

Agenda Review: No Changes

Public Comments: None

December Minutes: David Lowery made a motion to approve the December minutes and Tyson Dollinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

December/January Financials: Tyson Dollinger made a motion to approve the December/January financials with a second by David Lowery. Motion carried.

Outstanding Bills: None

Employee Timesheets : David Lowery made a motion to approve timesheets and Tyson Dollinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NRCS: Jen Hamer gave the report as written with the following highlights:

- EQIP application deadline is past and she's started meeting with people for plans
- CSP Deadline - February 3, Ranking is April 7
- CRP - Continuous is still available, CREP, CRP SAFE - 10 acre minimum but does give more options. Jen is going to email a few of the guys some information about this
- IRA money still haven't heard how much or when it will be received

RC: Lauren gave her report and it was as written with the following highlights:

- Conservation Cropping Seminar was last week. It went well and was very interesting
- Fish and Tree sale forms are available and everything is set up for the sales
- She is finishing up working on her planner assignment so that can be finished up

AC: Brooke's report was as written.

C-2000 Applications:

ESC: None

SPP: None

SSRP: None

## OLD BUSINESS

**Annual Meeting:** Everything is set up and ready to go for February 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm.

**Budget:** Still waiting to hear from IDOA

**2022 Dues:** David Lowery made a motion to table the discussion again until a later date. Tyson Dollinger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Mileage Rate:** Tyson Dollinger made a motion to increase the mileage rate to 65.5 cents per mile according to the IRS rate and David Lowery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Sexual Harassment and FOIA Policy Reviews:** Tyson Dollinger made a motion to approve the current policies and David Lowery seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Petition to Hold General Election:** Everyone signed at the meeting. Nick came in and signed the day before because he was unable to make it and Tim will be coming in later that day to sign. It will be sent in tomorrow.

**Conservation Cropping Seminar:** Lauren and Jen highlighted about the seminar during their reports. At the end of the discussion it was brought up that Lauren plan some kind cover crop meeting. She will work on things and bring back ideas to the next meeting.

**Election/Board Members:** Confirmed during Brooke's report we will have two spots open and as of now Nick and Tyson will run again.

David Lowery made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 a.m. and Tim McDonald seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be at 5:15 p.m. on February 27, 2023 immediately following the Annual Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted: *Brooke Katcher*