

Bartholomew County Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2009 5:00 PM District Office

Member Present:	Members Absent:	Others Attending:
Brett Glick	Adam Hall	Tara Wesseler
Shane Meier	Ed Engelau	Melissa Sporleder
Daryn Romine		Heather Siesel
		Christine Goldstein
		Cheryl Wright

Financial Report – Financial report was presented and approved.

Minutes – Minutes for the July 24, 2009 meeting presented and approved.

Staff Reports:

Heather Siesel –Reported on the KidsCommons contract- there is a meeting scheduled d for 09/25/09 to discuss the details of continuing their contract or not. The 319 project quarterly report was passed and reviewed by the board members. Announced the Adopt a River clean up scheduled for October 15, 2009. Sustainable Living Fair is Sept. 26, 2009; the district and project will have a booth there. The USGS agreement was discussed and the board was told that the USGS has agreed to do a match of \$4600.00 of this.

Christine Goldstein - Updated the board on the cost share dollars still available and the possible projects out there. The 319 Grant social indicators survey is being updated by doing an Ag survey. Quarterly meeting report given, announced that a section of Clifty Creek is being delisted in 2010 due to water quality improvement. Announced that the turbidity probe was received and is in place. Reported on the Pasture Walk and the success we had with it.

Melissa Sporleder –Reported on the upcoming fall workshop, there are 576 4th graders enrolled. Reported on the rent reduction for period of 01/01/09 to 09/30/09 due to us not being in building entire time. Announced that the fall IDEA conference is Oct 14th & 15th at Kendalville. Reminded board of the upcoming annual conference in January and encouraged board to attend.

Tara Wesseler – Reminded board of the leadership training in November 2009. Updated the board on the CWI grant process and changes made for this upcoming grant cycle. Reviewed the election process and requirements for the upcoming elections. It was determined that Shane Meier's term is up this year.

Cheryl Wright – Announced that CRP reenrollment was completed. Arial photos for a 5 year period are 95 % scanned.

Other Discussion – QG Noblitt award was presented to Susan & Clint Arnholt at the annual community dinner in September. It was discussed and voted on to get insurance on the mule and trailer, motion made by Daryn Romine, Shane Meier second, motion carried. Resource Specialist position salary shortfall was presented to the board by Christine Goldstein. The position is not scheduled to continue through the life of the current 319 grant, board will start looking at this in depth. The election committee formation was decided, this is to be Adam Hall, Adam Heichelbech and Melissa Sporleder. Copies of the submitted 319 grant application were given to the board for review. Discussion followed regarding this application. The board was reminded of the annual meeting coming up on February 4, 2010 and the need for nominations for the Gilman O’Neal Conservation Farmer of the Year Award. The purchase of the district vehicle was discussed and the Board agreed that any vehicle that meets the district’s needs could be considered (no limitations on third row seating).

Next meeting to be on October 24, 2009 at 5:00 pm at the District office.

Minutes recorded by Melissa Sporleder