Menard County Soil and Water Conservation District March Meeting Minutes

March 11 2025 @ 8:30 A.M.

<u>Present</u>: George Staab(Chairman), Kenton Bell(Vice-Chairman), John Lyons(Sec/Treasurer), David Dowell(Director), Andrew Fulton(DC), and Bruce Davis(R/C)

<u>Absent</u>: Ryan Todd(Director)

Chairman Staab called the meeting to order at 8:35 A.M.

Old Business:

- The Board decided to table the Local Work Group Meeting. Chairman Staab made the motion to approve, Vice-Chairman Bell seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- The Board decided to table the Spring Tree Sale until we could see if our supplier could meet the sellable pot size requirements. Chairman Staab made a motion, and Director Dowell seconded it. All were in favor.
- The Board approved the Native Plant Sale with a \$250 limit. Chairman Staab made a motion to approve and Sec/Treas Lyons Seconded it. All were in favor.
- Spring Fish Sale- Had 16 customers that purchased over 5700 fish. Thank You to Chairman Staab and Sec/Treas Lyons for covering the fish delivery while I was at a training.

New Business:

- The R/C report was presented to the board. Chairman Staab made a motion to approve, Vice-Director Bell seconded. All were in favor.
- It was decided to order new checks from our bank. Chairman Staab made the motion, Vice-Chairman Bell Seconded it. All were in favor.
- The BWLR Report from the IDOA was discussed.

- The 2025 IDOA was discussed. Chairman Staab made a motion to approve and Vice-Chairman Bell seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- The possible Government shutdown was discussed
- The 2025 Election results and necessary follow-up. It was decided to keep the board the same and the documentation was filled out to send in.
 Chairman Staab made the motion, and Director Dowell seconded it. All were in favor.
- The I-Cover cover crop program was discussed.
- R/C Davis discussed his upcoming trainings
- The board decided to make a \$100 contribution to the Illinois Envirothon. Chairman Staab made a motion, and Director Dowell seconded it. All were in favor.
- It was discussed and decided to use a new Illinois-based fish supplier for our fall fish sale. Chairman Staab made a motion, and Director Dowell seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- The Board discussed the proposed Senate Bill 2378, that is supposed to fill our funding gap.
- Newsletter Sponsorship was discussed. It was decided to keep things the same as previous editions. Chairman Staab made a motion and Vice-Chairman Bell seconded it. All were in favor.
- The PFC Program component list was approved and signed. Chairman Staab made the motion, and Director Dowell seconded it. All were in favor.

Adjournment:

Chairman Staab made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 A.M. Vice-Chairman Bell seconded the motion. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

George Staab - Chairman

Bruće Davis – R/C