

MARSHALL-PUTNAM

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Marshall-Putnam Soil and Water Conservation District held their regular scheduled board meeting on June 4th, 2025 at the Marshall-Putnam USDA Field office. Chairman Debbie Leigh called the meeting to order at 9am.

PRESENT

D. Leigh; M. Haun; J. Merdian; Tim Bogner; J. Ketter; S. Williamson; Terry Bogner; D. Williamson; Guests – Tiffany Moodie – MP Farm Bureau, Courtney – MP Farm Bureau Apprentice

MINUTES

The meeting minutes were read for the April 2025 meeting. **A motion was made to accept the minutes as written - 1st – J. Merdian; 2nd – M. Haun; Motion carried.**

EMPLOYEE TIME SHEETS

Employee Time Sheets were reviewed for April & May. **A motion to approve employee time sheets was made by M. Haun; 2nd by Tim Bogner. Motion Carried.**

TREASURERS REPORT/FINANCE COMMITTEE

Report given on the finance committee information during the board meeting, pertaining to the District's finances for the month of April & May, including the balance sheet and profit & loss. **A motion was made by J. Merdian to accept the Financial Committee's report including Profit & Loss/Balance Sheet, 2nd by Tim Bogner. Motion carried.**

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE – Debbie stated that she was able to contact and speak with our legislators regarding the funding bills. All were receptive and supportive of the bills.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts Payable information was reviewed. **A motion was made by J. Merdian to accept the accounts payable and pay outstanding bills at this time. 2nd by M. Haun. Motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

AISWCD 2nd Dues Bill – a discussion regarding the 2nd dues bill was had. **Motion was made to pay the 2nd dues notice by M. Haun; 2nd by J. Merdian. Motion Passed.**

NEW BUSINESS

State Budget FY26/Funding Bills – Debbie spoke with Eliot Clay and the legislators regarding the State Budget and Funding bills. She gave report on this.

LUC Meeting – June 3rd, 2025. Zoom link for the meeting was sent out to all MPSWCD board directors. Debbie attended in person and Stacy attended via Zoom. Debbie was able to provide an update from Eliot Clay and Josh Curry.

Soil Health Act – Public Act 103-0494 was printed and distributed to the board for review.

Summer Conference – Debbie spoke about attending the Summer Conference in Springfield and the Annual Meeting, needing a voting delegate. Terry Bogner stated he would be interested in attending the conference. Tim Bogner stated that he would be interested in going to Monday's events, and Josh Merdian stated that he

could go to the Annual Meeting. **A motion was made by Tim Bogner to elect Josh Merdian as the voting delegate at the Annual Meeting; 2nd by M. Haun. Motion Carried.**

Highway Signs – AISWCD and IDOT have been working on road signage for districts to mark the beginning of the conservation district area. These signs can be placed on any of the IDOT maintained roads. Cost is \$100 per sign. The AISWCD logo would be used, but stating the name of the Marshall-Putnam Soil and Water Conservation District. A map will be put together to see where the board would like signs placed and brought to the next meeting.

UPDATES ON GOALS

None reported

CUSTOMER COMPLIMENTS/COMPLAINTS

None reported.

STAFF REPORTS

RC – CRP – deadline is Friday June 6th.

AC – working with Jill to get CRP through the deadline.

DC – Not present – no report

SC – Nothing else reported.

The next meeting is scheduled for July 10th, 9am.

Motion made to adjourn J. Merdian; 2nd by M. Haun. Motion carried.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Stacy Williamson.

Board Approved:
