

MARSHALL-PUTNAM

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Marshall-Putnam Soil and Water Conservation District held their regular scheduled board meeting on March 13th, 2025 at the Marshall-Putnam USDA Field office. Chairman Debbie Leigh called the meeting to order at 8:40am.

PRESENT

In Person – D. Leigh; M. Haun; J. Merdian; T. Bogner; G. Mattern; J. Ketter; S. Williamson; T. Bogner; D. Williamson; D. Marshall

MINUTES

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

EMPLOYEE TIME SHEETS

Employee Time Sheets were reviewed for January. **A motion to approve employee time sheets was made by M. Haun; 2nd by T. 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 February, including the balance sheet and profit & loss. **A motion was made by M. Haun to accept the Financial Committee's report including Profit & Loss/Balance Sheet, 2nd by G. Mattern. Motion carried.**

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts Payable information was reviewed. **A motion was made by G. Mattern 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 tabled for more information from AISWCD. **A motion was made by M. Haun to table the item until next month. 2nd by T. Bogner. Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

Elections – Election results and Board Reorganization – Congratulations to Mark Haun and welcome to Tim Bogner on their election to a 2-year term on the board of directors.

Board Reorganization: Diana Williamson to moderate the reorganization. The nominations, motions and approvals are as follows:

Chairman – Debbie Leigh was nominated by M. Haun to be Chairman. 2nd by J. Merdian. With no other nominations, **a motion was made by M. Haun to accept the nomination for Chairman, close nominations and appoint. The motion passed.**

Vice-chairman – Mark Haun was nominated by J. Merdian to be Vice-Chair. 2nd by T. Bogner. With no other nominations, **a motion was made by J. Merdian to accept the nomination for Vice-Chairman, close nominations and appoint. The motion passed.**

Secretary/Treasurer – Josh Merdian was nominated by M. Haun. 2nd by G. Mattern. With no other nominations, **a motion was made by M. Haun to accept the nomination for Secretary/Treasurer, close nominations and appoint. The motion passed.**

Terry Bogner and Diana Williamson were asked to remain on the board as associate directors and have agreed to do so.

The following people will be on the bank signature cards for Heartland Bank and MidAmerica National Bank; as well as the safety deposit box located at MidAmerica National Bank:

**Debbie Leigh – Chairman
Josh Merdian – Secretary/Treasurer
Jill Ketter – Resource Conservationist
Stacy Williamson – Administrative Coordinator**

The following people will be on the signature card at the Lacon Community Back for the CD will be:

**Josh Merdian – Secretary/Treasurer
Stacy Williamson – Administrative Coordinator**

A motion was made to keep all signature cards the same made by J. Merdian, 2nd by M. Haun. Motion Carried.

Committees discussed as follows:

Personnel, River Conservancy Representative, Legislative, AISWCD will be discussed/set at the April meeting.

This concludes the Reorganization, and the regular meeting resumed.

PFC Cost List – The PFC program and cost list overview was presented by J. Ketter. Discussion had by the board. **Motion made by M. Haun to approve the PFC cost list for FY25, 2nd by G. Mattern. Motion Carried.**

LUC2 Zoom meeting, Legislative prep day and legislative day – combined with the legislative day bullet point - these dates and meetings were discussed. Legislative Prep day – March 14th via zoom; LUC2 – March 17th via Zoom; Legislative Day – Marh 19th in Springfield.

Grant Agreement FY25 – The Grant Agreement was discussed. **A motion to approve and sign the Grant Agreement paperwork made by M. Haun; 2nd by G. Mattern. Motion Carried.**

Local Work Group/Survey – Jill and Stacy gave a detailed discussion on where the Local Work Group was with the Marshall and Putnam Counties – and keeping it in a smaller scale this year. The survey has gone out to the entirety of both counties, via newsletter, social media, district website and posting it in the office.

Goal Day – the Board had a lengthy discussion about the short term and long term goals of the District.

Work Place Violence – Dick Marshall, NRCS, discussed Work Place Violence presentation, due to recent events in local offices.

A brief discussion was had regarding the lettering on the truck. No action was needed.

CUSTOMER COMPLIMENTS/COMPLAINTS

None reported.

STAFF REPORTS

RC – nothing else reported.

AC – nothing else reported.

DC – Not present – no report

SC – Nothing else reported.

The next board meeting will be April 10th, 2025 – 9am.

Motion made to adjourn J. Merdian; 2nd by T. Bogner. Motion carried.

Minutes taken and transcribed by Stacy Williamson.

Board Approved:
