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Boone County Conservation
District, Kentucky

Board Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

6028 Camp Ernst Rd., Burlington, KY 41005, Rouse Room

ZOOM: Meeting ID: 896 4545 6605 Passcode: 211100

Present: Board Supervisors: Mike Wilson, Debra Waller, Jeff Thomas, Shannon Galbraith-Kent, Ph.D. Staff members: Mark Jacobs, Susan Brown, Pavla Link, Jasper Stevenson. DOC: Kim Barton

I. CALL TO ORDER: Mike Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:56pm.

II. MINUTES:

- a. August 20, 2024, Board Meeting Minutes to Approve – Jeff Thomas made a motion to approve with the addition of report request from Susan Brown for Bat Seminar and a correction of name at meeting adjournment. Debra Waller seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

III. TREASURER’S REPORT

- a. Jeff Thomas presented August 2024 Treasurer’s Report – Debra Waller made a motion to accept the report, Mike Wilson seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- b. Per Diem – Jeff Thomas presented Per Diem summary. Debra Waller made a motion to approve September Per Diem, Shannon Galbraith-Kent, Ph.D. seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

IV. DISTRICT REPORTS:

- a. Division of Conservation (DOC) Reports – presented by Kim Barton.
- b. NRCS Report – presented by Jasper Stevenson.
- c. District Staff Report – read independently.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Land Use Update – Mark Jacobs gave an update on recent improvements, public programs and future plans.
- b. DIGS Appeal Update – Mike Wilson gave an update following the SWCC meeting.
- c. Soil and Water Conservation Commission Update / Area 5 Vacancy Update – Mike Wilson gave an update. Area 5 meeting date is pending. Mike Wilson and Debra Waller submitted their information in with interest to fill the vacant Area 5 SWCC Commissioner position.
- d. KACD 2024 Annual Conference Recap / Resolution Follow up – Susan Brown and Debra Waller gave a report.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Earl and Hazel Jones Center for Conservation – Mark Jacobs presented quotes for concrete floor for barn. Jeff Thomas made a motion to approve up to \$15,000 for barn floor allocated from the Earl Jones funds. Shannon Galbraith-Kent, Ph.D. seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Gravel will be delivered by

Sterling Materials, spread by Chris Blake and concrete will be poured by D. A. Neff Construction. Work is to begin as soon as possible. Mark Jacobs also presented a request for a 4' x 8' banner to be printed for the Earl and Hazel Jones Center for Conservation and placed on the existing barn. Jeff Thomas made a motion to approve the request utilizing services of the Boone County Public Works sign shop with an addition of a sign to be used by the road to provide better directions to the Center. Shannon Galbraith-Kent, Ph.D. seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.

- b. Ag District Recertification – Pavla Link presented the following Ag District petitions for recertification: #008-02 – recommend recertifying, #008-03 – does not recommend to recertify due to no response from landowners, #008-08 – recommend recertifying, # 008-13 – recommend recertifying. Jeff Thomas made a motion to recertify Ag Districts 008-02, 008-08 and 008-13 and to dissolve Ag District 008-03 due to lack of response from landowners. Shannon Galbraith-Kent, Ph. D. seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- c. Printer Lease Contract – Pavla Link presented printer lease renewal contract with Millennium Printer Services with an upgrade to a newer printer model. Debra Waller made a motion to approve the lease renewal and unit upgrade, Shannon Galbraith-Kent Ph.D. seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed.
- d. Additional item – Debra Waller gave an update on the Kentucky Watershed Watch.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None received.

VIII. REMINDERS:

- a. Guided Nature Hike – September 19, 2024 – 5:30pm-7:30pm - Earl and Hazel Jones Center
- b. Bat Hike – September 25, 2024 – 7pm-8pm – Middle Creek Park
- c. Bat Walk and the Arboretum – September 27, 2024 – 7:15pm – 8:30pm – Boone County Arboretum
- d. Monarch Tagging – September 28, 2024 – 11am – 12pm - England Idlewild Park - Ballfield #7
- e. River Sweep and Work Party – October 5, 2024 – 9am – 12pm - Earl and Hazel Jones Center
- f. Salt Fest – October 18-20, 2024 – Big Bone Park

IX. COMMITTEE MEETING DATES:

- a. Land Use Committee – 1/12/24, 4/5/24, 7/12/24, 10/11/24
- b. Education Committee
- c. HR Committee
- d. Budget Committee
- e. Executive Committee Meeting
- f. Government Affairs Committee

X. ADJOURN: Debra Waller made a motion to adjourn. Jeff Thomas seconded the motion. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting Adjourned at 7:48pm.