

JO DAVIESS COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S MEETING  
December 19, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 P.M. by Chairman, Andy Hawley. Present were directors Bill Holland, Steve Eden, Nicole Haas, and Beth Baranski. Also present was AC Mindy Pratt, Soil Conservationist Paul Searl, Blackhawk Hills Regional Council Executive Director Daniel Payette, and County Executive Director Cory Cassens.

A motion by Nicole Haas to approve the minutes of the November meeting was made. Bill Holland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion by Nicole Haas, seconded by Beth Baranski to accept the November Treasurer's Report was made. Motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – None

NRCS REPORT

Jo Daviess County will be getting a new Soil Conservationist, Mark Puett sometime in January. The new Farm Bill has double the RCPP money available and the application process is supposed to be simpler.

There will be a Managing Forest Understory and Edges workshop on January 18<sup>th</sup> at the Community Building in Elizabeth.

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR'S REPORT - See attached report

BLACKHAWK HILLS REGIONAL COUNCIL REPORT

Daniel Payette handed out the Council's Annual Report and gave updates on the Freight, Port, and Trail studies they have been working on.

NRI REPORTS – None

CPP/WELL SEALING – None

TIME SHEETS

A motion by Nicole Haas to approve the time sheets and mileage reports was made. Steve Eden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BILLS/CREDIT CARDS

Nicole Haas made a motion to approve the credit card bill for December, \$50.00 Land Use Council Dues, and Director mileage. Steve Eden seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nicole Haas made a motion to have closed session for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation and performance of personnel. Bill Holland seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Nicole Haas made a motion to come out of closed session and continue with the regular board meeting. Beth Baranski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Beth handed out the Galena River Watershed-Based Plan Phase 1.  
The next farmer led group meeting will be on January 30<sup>th</sup> at the Elizabeth Community Building at 1:00 P.M.

A motion was made by Nicole Haas, seconded by Beth Baranski to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Minutes transcribed by Mindy Pratt.

Nicole Haas, Secretary