

**MINUTES OF THE BUCHANAN SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
INDEPENDENCE, IA
Tuesday, July 23, 2019
At
USDA Office - NRCS, Independence, IA
7:30 a.m.**

Those present were:

Commissioners

Tim Halligan
Bob Muchmore
Becky Lindsay
Phil Short

Staff & Others

Julie Althaus, Conservation Assistant
Angie Auel, Upper Wapsi River Management Authority Coordinator
Adam Rodenberg, Cedar River Management Authority Coordinator
Abby Beltz, District Conservationist

Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Short at 7:34 a.m.

Adopt Agenda

Short called to adopt the agenda.

20-01 Motion by Muchmore to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Lindsay. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Short called for a discussion and approval of the minutes from the June 25, 2019 meeting.

20-01 Motion by Lindsay to approve the minutes from the June 25, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Muchmore. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's Report for June 2019
- Annual Financial Review of District Funds – Completed by Halligan and Lindsay on July 10, 2019
Typed up Report will be completed at our August 27th meeting.

20-02 Motion by Lindsay to approve the June 2019 treasurer's report and the presentation of the report at the August meeting. Seconded by Halligan. Motion carried.

Report - Wapsi River Management Authority Coordinator – Angie Auel

- Windbreak (Farmstead Windbreak) 75% of eligible cost, not to exceed \$1,600.00: It was \$1,500.00 per acre.
- Field Windbreak 75% of the eligible cost, not to exceed \$600.00 per acre: It was \$450.00 per acre.
- Plantation Replanting 75% of eligible cost, not to exceed \$600.00 per acre: It was \$450.00 per acre

780 Hr. Technician – DSCWQ

Althaus told the commissioners that the application has been sent in and waiting to hear back from them.

Conservation Districts of Iowa Dues – September 30, 2019 in the amount of \$850.00

20-04 Motion by Lindsay to pay the Conservation of Iowa Dues of \$850.00 at the end of September 2019. Seconded by Halligan. Motion carried.

Soil and Water Conservation Society – Membership Request of \$230.00

Commissioners asked what the Soil and Water Conservation Society does for them. Althaus explained how they work with the Division of Soil and Water Conservation and Conservation Districts of Iowa. In the past the Buchanan SWCD has given them \$115.00.

20-05 Motion by

Awards for the State – State Environmental Award

Althaus stated that Jason Orr and James Orr have been awarded the Environmental Leadership Award for Buchanan County. It will be presented to them on August 14th at the Iowa State Fair.

Conservation Plans – 21

Cost Share Approval – None at this Time

Completed Cost Share –

CBL Farms	WQI – Strip Till	\$1,600.00
Darin Youngblut	WQI – No-Till	\$1,600.00
Jerry Slattery	WQI – Strip Till	\$1,600.00
Jerry Slattery	WQI – No-Till	\$1,600.00
Doug Lindsay	Windbreak	\$1,500.00

Commissioners Expense for 4th Qtr.

Halligan, Timothy	\$28.08	pd chk #4368
Kaiser, Doug	\$52.65	pd chk #4369
Lindsay, Becky	\$24.96	pd chk #4370
Muchmore, Bob	\$83.85	pd chk #4371
Short, Phil	<u>\$86.58</u>	pd chk #4372
Total	\$276.12	

Office Expense – Postage, Dues, & Meeting \$7.65

Overall Total \$283.77

Bills for July

Employee Account -