

STATE SOIL CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting, April 30, 2014

Wallace State Office bldg., Des Moines, IA

SSCC

Sherman Lundy, Chair

Jean Eells, Vice Chair

Dale Farnham

J. Kelly Tobin

Tim Palmer

Vance Hjelm

Paula Ellis

Meeting called to order at 10:15 a.m.

2014 – 14 Jody made a motion to adopt the agenda as written. Jean seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2014 – 15 Dale made a motion to approve the Minutes for the April 3, 2014, meeting. Charles seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Bureau Chief Reports

Field Services – Sitzmann (copy of report with file)

Water Resources – Hansen (copy of report with file)

Mines & Minerals – Kozak (copy of report with file)

Director's Report – Gillespie (copy of report with file)

Partner Reports

Conservation Districts of Iowa – Lindahl (copy of report with file)

2014 – 16 Tim made a motion to continue the SSCC presence at the fall ISAC meeting in 2014. Jody seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Iowa Department of Natural Resources – Hopkins (copy of report with file)

Iowa State Extension – Lawrence/Al-Kaisi (copy of report with file)

Natural Resource Conservation Service – Hubbert (copy of report with file)

- If information becomes available will send information regarding WQIX?

Old Business

SSCC Research & Demonstration Grant Updates – Spicer (copy of report with file)

Summer Tour 2014 Updates

- Lakeside Hotel and Casino
- Get your registrations in; two free optional tours on Wednesday

Subcommittee Report

Planning Subcommittee

- SSCC Research & Demonstration Grants

2014 – 17 Jean made a motion to approve grantees submitting quarterly reports, sending a summary to be published by DSC, final report (presentation) and annual report. Kelly seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

2014 Soil & Water Conservation Week – discussed list of events being held (copy of report with file).

2014 Annual Conference

- Scheduled for Wednesday, September 3rd; planning committee currently meeting to organize.

Cover Crops – RMA email (copy of report with file)

Vacancy

- Des Moines SWCD
- Carroll SWCD
- Vacancy:

- o Dickinson SWCD: The Dickinson SWCD would like to request approval of the resignation of Steven Anderson as a commissioner due to a difference in opinions.
- o Dickinson SWCD: The Dickinson SWCD would like to request approval of the resignation of Scott Mitchell as a commissioner due to family and business obligations.

2014 – 18 Jean made a motion to approve both resignations in Dickinson SWCD. Dale seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

SSCC Member Reports

Kelly: Cover Crop presentations and presenting again on May 2nd.

Jean: Traveled to Wisconsin for Women, Food and Ag Network (WFAN).

Charles:

Dale: Story Commissioners sacked Red Oak Sapplings for Arbor Day. Semi Annual tour of the county taking place the week of May 5th.

Tim: Attended the Clarke County meeting and met with several individuals face to face and over the phone planning the summer tour.

Vance: Attended the Silver Lake Protection Association meetings receiving information Drainage District 1 is doing a study being done in July.

Paula: 1st Annual Lee County Conservation tour planned for April 25th, was canceled and being rescheduled. Attending

Jody: traveled to Washington D.C. with daughter. Tree farming in Iowa on a National level to Green Certification possibly changing. Iowa Tree Farm committee is declining the certification at this time, but people will still be classified as Tree farms but not certified to sell green wood. RAGBRAI will stop through Edgewood.

Sherm: Earth Day activities and a poster contest done in his area. Cover crops are popping in more areas. Watershed projects in NE Iowa taking place.

Future Meetings

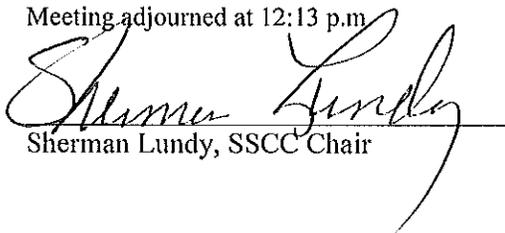
June 16th-18th State Committee/CDI tour & meeting,
 Tour, Tuesday, June 17th, 2:00 p.m.
 CDI/SSCC: TBD, Joint Meeting
*Rooms may be reserved under: Iowa Department of Agriculture
 Lakeside Casino Resort 641-342-9511
 Located: 777 Casino Dr., Osceola, IA 50213*

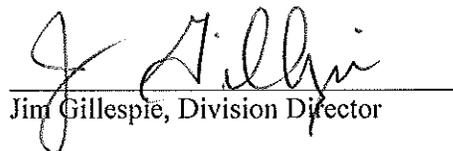
April 27th – May 4th, 2013 – 2013 Soil & Water Conservation Week

September 2nd-4th 2014 Annual Conference

Heading to lunch and then over to the Governor's Soil and Water Conservation Week proclamation signing at the Capitol Adjournment.

Meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.


 Sherman Lundy, SSCC Chair


 Jim Gillespie, Division Director