

**MINUTES**  
**STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING**  
**March 16, 2021**

**Virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams**

**Present**

Ray Chattin	Jenny Rowland	John Hazlett
Brad Dawson	Kenny Cain	Teri Lents
Amy Burris	Jennifer Thum	Bob Eddleman
Angela Jackson	Julie Harrold	Warren Baird
George Reger	Laura Fribley	Julie Clark
Sheryl Vaughn	Nathan Stoelting	Joe Schmees
Tara Wesseler-Henry	Geneva Tyler	Mike Johnson
Jordan Seger	Leah Harmon	Amy Sims
Linda Voglund	Eric Shideler	Lori Jordan
Jerry Raynor	Amy Work	Lisa Holscher
Nathaniel Worenski	Larry Clemens	

**I. 9:32 am.: Call to Order by chair Amy Burris**

**II. Approve Minutes of January 2021. Motion made by Brad Dawson and 2<sup>nd</sup> Kenny Cain. Approved**

**III. Clean Water Indiana**

- a. Clean Water Indiana Grants- Geneva Tyler  
See attached report.
- b. Clean Water Indiana Grants Committee- Brad Dawson  
Motion made by Brad Dawson to pay training dollar requests of \$6,774. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ray Chattin.  
Approved  
See attached report  
Next grant guidance (2022) at least one supervisor attend annual conference.  
Brad moved to adopt the recommendations. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Eddleman. Approved.  
Clarification requested by John Hazlett. The in-kind recommendation and the 10% remaining in funds would take effect immediately for all active grants.
- c. CWI Communications Policy- Laura Fribley  
See attachment. Motion by Kenny Cain to update the Communication policy with the Reporting Requirements. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Eddleman. Approved
- d. CWI Roles and Responsibilities- Laura Fribley  
See attachment.
- e. LaPorte Grant Modification- Geneva Tyler  
Motion made by Bob Eddleman. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenny Cain. Approved.
- f. Washington Grant Modification- Laura Fribley  
Motion made by Brad Dawson. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larry Clemmons. Approved

**IV. State Soil Conservation Board Business**

- a. Chairman's report- Amy Burris  
No report at this time.
- b. ISDA Budget update- Jordan Seger  
Reminder, fiscal year goes to June 30<sup>th</sup>. CWI currently sitting at 3.9% of beginning balance, this is good. Next meeting do we roll this over to 2022, something to think about until then.  
Division of Soil Conservation budget - Dedicated cig funds \$276,000 balance-100,000 for CREP and remaining funds to roll over to CWI 2022 grants.

What is ahead: Session is currently debating budget. Budget starts July 1. Currently, 15% cut across the board, including CWI. This would be 50% more than what we experienced this current fiscal year. Positive, we are hearing that the cuts could go away, but haven't seen yet on paper.

Increase cig tax per pack is being debated now.

**V. Soil and Water Conservation Districts**

- a. Benton SWCD- Geneva Tyler
- b. Floyd SWCD- Laura Fribley
- c. Montgomery SWCD- Nathan Stoelting
- d. Starke SWCD-Geneva Tyler
- e. Steuben SWCD- Jennifer Thum
- f. Tippecanoe SWCD-Geneva Tyler
- g. Warren SWCD-Geneva Tyler

Motion made by Kenny Cain to accept all temporary appointments and temporary elected positions. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Eddleman. Approved.

**IX. Partner Reports: Please see attached submitted reports**

**X. Next Meeting:  
2021 Meeting Dates**

- May 18, TBD
- July 20, TBD
- September 21, TBD
- October 26\*, TBD

**XI. Plan of Work-** Laura Fribley and Nathan Stoelting went through the Plan of Work with the Board. Bob suggested adopting priorities with 5 votes (highlighted green priorities). Nathan and Laura will prepare the Plan of Work to be presented and adopted at the May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**XII. Adjourn:** Kenny Cain moved to adjourn. Time: 12:41pm