

Jennings County Soil & Water Conservation District

May 16, 2026

Board Minutes

The regular meeting of the Jennings County Soil & Water Conservation District was held at the USDA Service Center Conference Room. Brad Ponsler called the meeting to order at 6:31AM.

Board Members:

Brad Ponsler
Alex Helms
Matt Branham
Kevin Morin (Absent)
Kameron Garlitch

Staff:

Becca McClellan
Maddie Suhre
Andy Ertel (Absent)

Associates:

Jimmi Berkey

Partners:

Laura Fibley (ISDA)
Matt Jarvis (NRCS)

Reading of the Minutes:

Matt Branham made a motion to accept the March and April 2026 Minutes as written, with a second by Alex Helms. All in favor.

Financial Report:

Matt Branham made a motion to accept the Financial Report as written, with a second by Kameron Garlitch. All in favor.

Correspondence:

NACD Annual Report for 2025

NCF Annual Report for 2025

Ongoing/Old Business:

CWI- Becca presented to the Board for an approval for Alex Helms CWI cost-share reimbursement. Kameron Garlitch made a motion to approve the cost-share reimbursement, with a second from Kevin Morin. All in favor.

IRS Update- Becca is still working with Erin Houchin's Office and a case advocate with the IRS. The office has received a refund in the amount of \$1,119.68 for Quarter 1 of 2022.

New Business:

Fair Schedule- The evening fair shift schedule was handed out, each member was asked to sign-up for two shifts each. The shifts are Monday-Friday 5:00PM – 9:00PM.

Senate Bill 230- Senate Bill 230 will take effect July 1, 2026. ISDA is having an online training in June with the Districts to go over the changes and updates and to answer any questions.

Review Updated Job Descriptions- Becca updated the Executive Director and Administrative Assistant job descriptions, the Board reviewed and signed off on these.

CWI Grant Applications Ideas- Becca asked the Board to start thinking about what we would like to apply for. The Board will bring ideas to the next meeting.

Staff/Partner Reports:

Laura Fibley- ISDA
Verbal Report

Matt Jarvis- NRCS
Verbal Report

Becca McClellan- SWCD
Written Report

Madelyn Suhre- SWCD
Written Report

Claims: Maddie prepared a packet including Financial Reports and Board Meeting Minutes needing reviewed and signed by the Board Members.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:55AM.

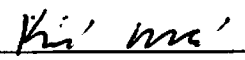
Minutes taken by: Madelyn Suhre



Brad Ponsler, Chairman



Matt Branham, Vice Chairman



Kevin Morin, Member



Kameron Garlitch, Member



Alex Helms, Member