**MEETING MINUTES**

**Kentucky Soil and Water Conservation Commission**

**Monday, July 10, 2023**

**1:30 PM**

**Holiday Inn University Plaza, Bowling Green, Ky.**

**or**

**Zoom Conference ID: 845 5362 3580 Password: SWCC**

**In Attendance for SWCC**: Mr. Danny Shipley, SWCC Chair; Ms. Denise Hoffman; Mr. Lenville Martin; Mr. Aaron Lewis; and Mr. Keith Tingle.

**Others Present:** Mr. Gordon R. Slone, Kentucky Department for Natural Resources; Ms. Johnna McHugh, Division of Conservation; Mr. Tim Hughes, Department of Agriculture; Mr. Steve Coleman, Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts; Ms. Natalie Browning, Kentucky Association of Conservation District Employees; Mr. Steve Beam, Natural Resources Conservation Service; Mr. Pat Henderson, Breckinridge County Conservation District; Mr. Ted Jessup, Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts; Mr. Jay Nelson, Division of Conservation; Mr. Allan Bryant, Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts; Dr. Steve Higgins, University of Kentucky; Ms. Dawn Baase, Department of Natural Resources; Ms. Carole Catalfo, Division of Water; Mr. Bill Harned, Bullitt County Conservation District; and Mr. Jeff Gravitt, Division of Conservation.

Quorum was met.

**Meeting Called to Order** – 1:36 pm by SWCC Chair Mr. Danny Shipley.

**SWCC Minutes from the April 24, 2023 Meeting** - Motion to approve minutes was made by Mr. Keith Tingle and was seconded by Mr. Lenville Martin. **Motion carried.**

**Agency Reports** –

Mr. Gordon Sloan informed the Commission that Ms. Johnna McHugh will be acting Director of the Division of Conservation until a replacement for Ms. Paulette Akers is found.

* Division of Conservation – Ms. Johnna McHugh discussed the following with the Commission –
  + Updated the environmental grant application from $7,500 to $5,000. Per the Commission decision from the last meeting.
    - Changing on how reports are sent in and filled out so everyone is submitting and filling out things the same way.
* Working with COT to have a way for district to fill out their Annual Financial Reports and District in Good Standing report cards online.
  + Division of Conservation field reps have been testing this out.
  + This would go into effect for next year’s submissions.
* Ms. Johnna McHugh asked the Commission to change the date for the submission of each district’s annual budgets and annual plan of works from April 1 of each year to June 30 of each year. A motion to approve was made by Ms. Denise Hoffman and was seconded by Mr. Lenville Martin. **Motion carried**.
* Ms. Johnna McHugh asked the Commission if it would like to continue with the auditing contract to have one firm complete all the audits for the conservation districts and watershed conservancy districts. This contract is currently held by Tichener and Associates. A motion to continue providing this service was made by Mr. Aaron Lewis and was seconded by Mr. Keith Tingle. **Motion carried**.
* KACD – Mr. Allan Bryant discussed the following with the Commission –
* Mr. Allan Bryant welcomed everyone to the KACD Convention and thanked everyone for their participation and welcomed everyone to attend the business session.
* Delay in the reimbursements from NRCS for the 75/25 program.
* The 2024 convention will be held at the Crown Plaza in Louisville.
* The 2025 convention will also be held at the Crown Plaza in Louisville, in conjunction with the Southeast NACD meeting.
* KACDE – Ms. Natalie Browning discussed the following with the Commission –
  + Upcoming conference in September 12 – 14.
  + Southeast Conference in Pigeon Forge Tennessee.
  + Art and Writing brochures forthcoming.
* KACD Auxiliary – Not attended.
* Natural Resources Conservation Service – Mr. Steve Beam discussed the following with the Commission –
  + NRCS currently does not have a State Conservationist.
    - Position is currently being advertised and NRCS is accepting applications.
* Tony Nott is acting State Conservationist at the moment.
* Discussed delay in districts receiving funds from the 75/25 program.
* EQIP/CSP are in the process of being contracted.
* EWP homebuyer buyout.
  + 247 homes have signed up so far.
  + Sign up will continue through end of July.
* Farm Service Agency – Not attended.
* Department for Natural Resources – Mr. Gordon Slone discussed the following with the Commission –
  + Division of Oil and Gas
    - Funding in the amount of $25 million has been allocated for the plugging of oil wells.
      * 620 wells have been plugged so far.
      * Anyone can report orphan wells by emailing orphanwells@ky.gov.
* Possible $79 million more dollars in funding, but probably around $20 million a year for the next three years.
* Kentucky Department of Agriculture – Mr. Tim Hughes discussed the following with the Commission –
  + KOAP offices have moved to the Department of Agriculture campus.
    - New address is 107 Corporate Drive.
* Commissioner Quarles to attend the KACD convention tomorrow.
* Kentucky Proud Program is working on a new website and a new application process.
* New state veterinarian, Dr. Steve Velasco.
* University of Kentucky, CAFE – Dr. Steve Higgins discussed new practices that have been implemented at the Eden Shale farm and gave an invitation to the Commission to hold a future meeting at Eden Shale to view some of the new practices being used. The Commission will plan to hold their September meeting at the Eden Shale farm.
* Division of Forestry – Ms. Johnna McHugh gave the Division of Forestry update and discussed the following with the Commission –
  + Total of 750,000 bare root seedlings were sold this year.
  + 2,875 completed timber harvesting inspections this year on 726 different sites.

**Correspondence** – Ms. Johnna McHugh discussed the following correspondence with the Commission:

* Warren County – The Warren County Conservation District is requesting a review of the Sumner Dairy State Cost Share application. This is in response to a notice of violation from Division of Water. The conservation district is requesting the approval for $20,000 in contingency funds for its producer to provide assistance in correcting ongoing resource concerns. Mr. Steven Olt from the Division of Conservation is working with Warren County on this. A motion to approve was made by Ms. Denise Hoffman and was seconded by Mr. Keith Tingle. **Motion carried**.
* Kenton County – The Kenton County Conservation District is requesting to transfer $2,000 from its dead animal removal funds to its backyard conservation grant.
* Graves County – The Graves County Conservation District is requesting to move $1,285.00 from their backyard conservation grant to the local FFA’s community garden program.
* Greenup County – The Greenup County Conservation would like to move $1,700 from the soil testing grant and $1,300 from its Little Sandy River Sweep grant to its dead animal grant fund.
* Henry County – The Henry County Conservation District is requesting that the Commission allow them to use some funds from its 2022/2023 environmental grant to fund heavy use areas and pipe/tanks through a local cost share. The total amount would be $19,000.

A motion to approve the above four requests as made by Mr. Aaron Lewis and was seconded by Mr. Lenville Martin. **Motion carried**.

* Martin County – The Martin County Conservation District is requesting an advance of $5,000.00 from Direct Aid to help with operating costs. A motion to approve was made by Ms. Denise Hoffman and was seconded by Mr. Keith Tingle. **Motion carried**.

**Equipment Report** – Ms. Johnna McHugh presented the report with copies distributed.

* Statement of Operations - Ms. Johnna McHugh gave an overview of the year-to-date equipment fund report. Mr. Keith Tingle made the motion to approve, and Ms. Denise Hoffman seconded the motion. **Motion carried**.
* Approval of Equipment Loan Requests–

1. The Powell County Conservation District is requesting a loan for a ID210 Ideal Post Driver. Cost of the equipment would be in the amount of $17,200. The district will be paying $13,200.00. The district is requesting a loan amount of $5,000.00. Motion to approve loan request was made by Ms. Denise Hoffman and was seconded by Mr. Lenville Martin. **Motion carried.**

**Conservation District Supervisors** – Ms. Johnna McHugh presented the requests with copies distributed.

* Vacancy Petitions - Ms. Johnna McHugh presented the requests.
* Cumberland County - John Phelps to fill unexpired term (2026) (1 petition received)
* Fayette County - Mark Coyne to fill unexpired term of Matt Miniard (2026) (1 petition received)
* Garrard County - Jeff Dembo to fill unexpired term of David Noe (2024) (1 petition received)
* Harrision County - Jennifer Yazell to fill unexpired term of Shawn Sorrell (2026) (1 petition received)
* Lincoln County - Debbie Gander to fill unexpired term of Paul Starnes (2024) (1 petition received)

Motion to approve was made by Mr. Keith Tingle and was seconded by Mr. Lenville Martin. **Motion carried**.

* Incentive Per Diem – Ms. Johnna McHugh presented the requests for supervisor and receive incentive per diem.
* Allen County

Randy Harston – Area 3 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Joe Young – KACD Convention, Area 3 meeting, 8 ten-minute trainings

Danny Shipley – KACD Convention, 11 ten-minute trainings

Michael Vick – Area 3 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Tommy Long – KACD Convention, 12 ten-minute trainings

Danny Stinson – Area 3 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Marcus Landers – KACD Convention, Area 3 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

* Barren County

Kenneth Edwards – Area 3 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Charles Embry – KACD Convention, Area 3 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Don Wilson – Area 3 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Jackie Nuckols – KACD Convention, Area 3 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Josh Harden – Area 3 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

Floyd Ray Jones – Area 3 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Dennis Smith – KACD Convention, Area 3 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

* Bath County

Barbara Boyd – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Vernon Stamper – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Chris Hardin – 8 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Aaron Watson – 8 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Glen Spencer – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Colby Wells – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Bell County

Chuck Blank – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

John Brock – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

Hannah Browning – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

William Partin – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

David Thompson – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

David Gibbons – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

* Boone County

Mike Wilson – 8 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Debra Waller – 8 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Jeff Thomas – 8 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Breckinridge County

Pat Henderson – Area 2 meeting, KACD convention, 12 ten-minute trainings

Steven Hinton – Area 2 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Lee Burks – Area 2 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Eddie Dyer – New Supervisor Zoom training, 12 ten-minute trainings

Kenny Hinton – Area 2 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

* Bullitt County

James Leon Dawson – 10 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Bill Harned – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 4 meeting, KACD Convention

Norman Philpot – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 4 meeting

Hyte Rouse IV – 10 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Don Samuels – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 4 meeting

Lewis Skidmore – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 4 meeting

Melissa Huggett – Area 4 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Calloway County

Randy McCallon – Area 1 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Don Overbey – Area 1 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Mark Wilson – Area 1 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Eddie Workman – Area 1 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Steve Carraway – Area 1 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

Bobby Hill – Area 1 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Marty Carraway – Area 1 meeting, 8 ten-minute trainings

* Campbell County

Richard Simon – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting, OKI RCC annual meeting, KACD convention

Susan Ortlieb-Turner – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Richard Carr – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting, KACD convention

Kevin McCormick – 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD convention

Lawrence Shadler – Area 5 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training, OKI RCC annual meeting

Kirsten Hill – New Supervisor Zoom training, OKI RCC annual meeting

Jason Kilmer – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

* Carlisle County

Bobby Toon – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 1 meeting

Brent Martin – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 1 meeting

Mike Mantle – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Carter County

Will Davis – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Tracey Joe Elliott – New Supervisor Zoom training, 8 ten-minute trainings

Herbie Suttles – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

John Buck – New Supervisor Zoom training, 8 ten-minute trainings

Mike Sexton – New Supervisor Zoom training, 9 ten-minute trainings

Barry Shaffer – New Supervisor Zoom training, 9 ten-minute trainings

* Casey County

Brent Ware – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Curtis Todd II – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Mary Sue Shoopman – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Roger Weddle – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Valorie Floyd – Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

David Grider – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

LJ Watson – Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Clay County

Ronald Bowling – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Jeanette Gregory – 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention, Area 9 meeting

Darrell McKeehan – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Billy Robinson – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

James Combs – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Tim Lunsford – 12 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Jocelyn Wolfe – 9 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Clinton County

Greg Abston – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

Kathy Conner – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Roger Beard – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

Steve Young – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

Michial Conner – 9 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Floyd County

Daniel Branson – Area 8 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Jeff Hall – Area 8 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Bert Layne – Area 8 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Lenville Martin – Area 8 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

Clyde Doug DeRossett – Area 8 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

Ernie Tackett – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

James Taylor – Area 8 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

* Gallatin County

Bradley Noel – 9 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Emily Epifanio – 10 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Graves County

Phil Holloway – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 1 meeting

Susie Fenwick – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 1 meeting, KACD Convention

* Handcock County

Joseph Hagman – Area 2 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

Dennis Johnson – Area 2 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

Stephen Ogle – Area 2 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Anthony Johnson – Area 2 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Daniel Emmick – New Supervisor Zoom training, 11 ten-minute trainings

Gary Long – Area 2 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

* Harlan County

Susie Mavinidis – New Supervisor Zoom training, 8 ten-minute trainings

Robert Jones – New Supervisor Zoom training, 8 ten-minute trainings

Will Clem – New Supervisor Zoom training, 8 ten-minute trainings

David Howard – Area 9 meeting, 8 ten-minute trainings

Lonnie Saylor – Area 9 meeting, 8 ten-minute trainings

* Jackson County

Howard Williams – Area 7 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Tim Wilson – Area 7 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Tony Boggs – Area 7 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Eddie Madden – Area 7 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Brenda Truett – KACD Convention, Area 7 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Jimmy Wells – Area 7 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

* Jefferson County

Sarah Beth Sammons – Area 4 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Austin Clark – Area 4 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

David Kaelin – Area 4 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

* Johnson County

Robert Blanton – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Tyler Ferguson – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Kevin Pelphrey – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Jack Holbrook – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Tom Keeth – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Vessie Workman – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Keith Patrick – Area 8 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Lawrence County

Stuart Blevins – 10 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

Bruce Short – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

David McGuire – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

Leland Sexton – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

Mikel Compton – Area 8 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Lee County

George Marshall – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Charles Lynn Cooper – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

David Jennings – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Orville Bennett – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Eddie Cundiff – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Jonathan Shuler – Area 9 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Sandy Gay – Area 9 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Leslie County

Frank Baker – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Mary Kilburn – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Tim Couch – 12 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Ronnie Gay – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Jackie Howard – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Shirley Ramey – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

* Marshall County

Kyle O’Dell – Area 1 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Jeff Futrell – Area 1 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Eugina Seibert – Area 1 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

* Mason County

Anthony Wenz, Jr. – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Kathryn Felice – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Janice Barnett-Gifford – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Eric Cooper – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Curtis Rosser – 12 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention, Area 5 meeting

* McCracken County

Daniel Phelps – Area 1 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Wayne Elliott – Area 1 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Dewain Gipson – Area 1 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Erick Harris – Area 1 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Stephen Wurth – Area 1 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

* McCreary County

Earl Kidd – KACD convention, Area 7 meeting

Vernon Gilreath – KACD convention, Area 7 meeting

* Meade County

Travis Scott – 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

Jamie Barger – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Larry Schmidt – 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention, Area 3 meeting

Andrew Ford – 12 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Tom Hollis – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 3 meeting

* Menifee County

Penni Combs – 9 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

Kevan Lane – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

Kenneth Pugh – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

Barbara James – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

Charlene Smallwood – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

Frances Smallwood – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 8 meeting

Elizabeth Pugh – 9 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Muhlenberg County

Wallace Slinker – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting, KACD Convention

Ted Jessup – 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention

Terry Benton – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting, KACD Convention

Denise Brown – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

Terry McCay – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

Lorraine Conces – 12 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Nelson County

Greg Catlett – KACD Convention, 10 ten-minute trainings

William Lutz – Area 4 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

* Ohio County

Darren Luttrell – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

Cletus Greer – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

Jason Anderson – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

Michael Newman – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

Walter Porter – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

Garry Igleheart – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 2 meeting

* Owen County

Randy Bishop – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Richard Duvall – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Kyle Jacobs – 9 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

John Russell New – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

Danny Humphries – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 5 meeting

* Owsley County

Holly Shouse – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Gary McIntosh – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Kenny Shouse – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Denise Hoffman – 11 ten-minute trainings, KACD Convention, Area 9 meeting

James Cornett – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 9 meeting

Dustin Gumm – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

Jason Minter – 11 ten-minute trainings, New Supervisor Zoom training

* Pulaski County

Rodney Dick – Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Will Bingham – Area 7 meeting, New Supervisor Zoom training

Don Minton – Area 7 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Lyndon Woods – Area 7 meeting, 11 ten-minute trainings

Tim Tarter – Area 7 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

* Rowan County

Sam Hughes – Area 8 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Clyde Mays, Jr. – Area 8 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Gary Ferguson – Area 8 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Angela Clatos – Area 8 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Anthony Anderson – New Supervisor Zoom training, 12 ten-minute trainings

Steve Kelsey – New Supervisor Zoom training, 11 ten-minute trainings

* Simpson County

Larry Gomer – KACD Convention, Area 2 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Mitchell Estes – KACD Convention, Area 2 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

Bruce Akin – KACD Convention, Area 2 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Joe Cushenberry – KACD Convention, Area 2 meeting, 8 ten-minute trainings

Chad Konow – KACD Convention, Area 2 meeting, 10 ten-minute trainings

Anthony Denning – KACD Convention, Area 2 meeting, 8 ten-minute trainings

Bart Roberts – KACD Convention, Area 2 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

* Warren County

Emily Sharp – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 3 meeting

Garnett Owens – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 3 meeting

LaJuana Wilcher – 8 ten-minute trainings, KACD convention

Mark Chapman – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 3 meeting

Rhodes Hester – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 3 meeting

Troy Ellis – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 3 meeting

* Wayne County

Jason Gregory – New Supervisor Zoom training, 10 ten-minute trainings

Jerry Sloan – KACD Convention, New Supervisor Zoom training, 11 ten-minute trainings

Karen Floyd – KACD Convention, New Supervisor Zoom training, Area 7 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Ed Cushman – KACD Convention, New Supervisor Zoom training, Area 7 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Wesley Elam – Area 7 meeting, 12 ten-minute trainings

Travis Lewis – New Supervisor Zoom training, 11 ten-minute trainings

* Whitley County

Anne Bays – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, KACD Convention, NACD Convention

Harold Prewitt – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, KACD Convention, NACD Convention

Charlie Ohler – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

Jim Jones – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

Joann Siler – 8 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting

Jackie Smith – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, NACD Convention

Lee Ed Sears – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 7 meeting, KACD Convention

* Wolfe County

Lou Brewer – Area 9 meeting, 9 ten-minute trainings

* Woodford County

Donald Mitchell – 10 ten-minute trainings, Area 6 meeting

Peggy Carter Seal – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 6 meeting

Curtis Congleton – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 6 meeting

Robert Richardson – 12 ten-minute trainings, Area 6 meeting

Richard Carmickle – 11 ten-minute trainings, Area 6 meeting

Motion to approve was made by Ms. Denise Hoffman and was seconded by Mr. Aaron Lewis. **Motion carried**.

**Agriculture District Program** - Ms. Johnna McHugh presented the report with copies distributed. Three (3) new petitions were presented to the Commission for consideration for a total of 772.11 acres.

1. Bracken County (Petition No. 012-13 – 300.60 acres). Motion to approve was made by Mr. Lenville Martin and was seconded by Mr. Keith Tingle.  **Motion carried.**
2. Campbell County (Petition No. 019-02 (A7) – 30.74 acres). Motion to approve was made by Ms. Denise Hoffman and was seconded by Mr. Lenville Martin.  **Motion carried.**
3. Meade County (Petition No. 082.09 – 440.77 acres). Motion to approve was made by Mr. Lenville Martin and was seconded by Ms. Denise Hoffman.  **Motion carried.**

Twelve (12) new agricultural districts have been submitted to the commission for five-year recertification for a total of 5,978.50 acres.

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| **COUNTY** | **PETITION NO.** | **ACRES** |
| Adair | 001-01 | 313.10 |
| Adair | 001-02 | 391.54 |
| Anderson | 003-02 | 303.00 |
| Barren | 005-10 | 1,077.25 |
| Barren | 005-13 | 1,164.66 |
| Barren | 005-14 | 506.24 |
| Boone | 008-10 | 417.28 |
| Kenton | 059-04 | 47.66 |
| Magoffin | 007-01 | 251.00 |
| Robertson | 101-03 | 280.92 |
| Robertson | 101-10 | 381.00 |
| Russell | 104-05 | 394.85 |

Motion to approve the above 12 recertifications was made by Mr. Keith Tingle and was seconded by Mr. Lenville Martin. **Motion carried**.

**Old Business** –

* Watershed Dam Funding update – Ms. Johnna McHugh discussed the Marshall County Conservation District request for watershed dam funding. Marshall County requested the total of $ 5 million in funds. The Commission approved the amount of $3 million to start. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Lenville Martin and was seconded by Mr. Keith Tingle. **Motion carried**.

**New Business** –

* Equipment Loan Statutory review – Ms. Johnna McHugh discussed the following with the Commission -
  + Three new regulation and one updated regulation.
    - Definitions (new).
    - State Cost Share (updated).
    - Equipment Loans (new).
    - Infrastructure Loans (new).
  + The Commission will review the regulations individually and submit comments.
* Districts in Good Standing – Ms. Johnna McHugh discussed the submission of District in Good Standing report cards and presented copies of district grades and submissions to date. Appeals will be accepted until September 1.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Keith Tingle and was seconded by Ms. Denise Hoffman.

**Motion carried**.

Next SWCC meeting is September 18, 2023 at Eden Shale farm.