



ROCK ISLAND COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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**RISWCD August Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 11th, 2026
5:00 p.m. @ Milan USDA Service Center**

PRESENT

Jason Flickinger, Chairman
Dayna Gillespie, AC
Rich Stewart, RC
Rebekah Ahrens, Director
Gary Blanchard, Director
Nathan Oak, Vice Chairman
Joey Deloian, RCII
Wyatt Junis, Soil Conservationist
Bob Westphal, County Board Rep

ABSENT

Louis Liva, PCM Specialist
Benjamin Ford, Soil Technician
Joe Gates, Cons Specialist
Bill Parchert, Secretary/Treasurer

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Vice chairman N. Oak called the meeting to order at 4:54 PM. Roll call was taken.

2. MOTION TO ACCEPT CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

N. Oak made a motion to accept consent agenda items, G. Blanchard seconded.
MOTION PASSED.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

4. NEW BUSINESS

1. **FY27 RISWCD Budget** – D. Gillespie added the FY27 CPRG and I-Cover program funding to the RISWCD budget. N. Oak made a motion to approve the RISWCD FY27 Budget, G. Blanchard seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**
2. **FY27 RISWCD Annual Plan of Work** – D. Gillespie added the CPRG, I-COVER, and the Backyard Bloom Boost programs to the annual plan of work. N. Oak made a motion to approve the RISWCD FY27 Annual Plan of Work, R. Ahrens seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**
3. **Rock Island County Funding Request** – D. Gillespie presented the funding proposal for \$39,500 for Rock Island County to the board of directors for approval to send the request to the county. B. Westphal recommended asking

for an increase of 3% from RISWCD's FY26 funding request. R. Ahrens made a motion to have D. Gillespie increase the ask by an additional 3%; G. Blanchard seconded that motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

5. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. None

6. **STAFF REPORT/REQUESTS TO STAFF**

Written and oral reports were provided by R. Stewart, D. Gillespie, and J. Deloian.

7. **Next board meeting scheduled for September 1st @ 5pm at Milan USDA Center.**

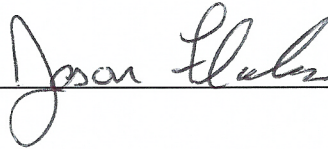
8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by G. Blanchard, second by R. Ahrens to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:36 PM. **MOTION PASSED.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Parchert, Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman's signature: _____



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