

**Coles County SWCD
Board Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2026**

The March board meeting of the Coles County SWCD was held on Tuesday, March 10th, 2026, at the USDA Service Center in Charleston.

Directors Present: Todd Easton, J.C. Doty, and Brian Davis

Associate Directors: None

SWCD Staff: Kellie Diveley, Julie Gass, and Malina Przygoda

Guests: None

Agenda: The meeting started at 7:35. The agenda was reviewed. Davis made a motion to approve the agenda, Easton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Due to a lack of a quorum in February, the January and February minutes were discussed. Easton made a motion to approve both month's minutes, Davis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Timesheets: Employee timesheets were reviewed.

Travel Reports: February's milage reports were approved through email (motioned by Davis, seconded by Easton). March's mileage reports were reviewed. Doty made a motion to approve the milage, Davis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports:

The financial reports for February and March were reviewed. Davis made a motion to approve both financial reports, Doty seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence:

None

Business:

No Action Required:

Upcoming sales were discussed. Przygoda gave the board important upcoming dates to make note of and help with.

Przygoda was invited to attend the Conservation Planner II training in Peoria. Due to it being a week-long and the same week as the plant sale, she said she would prefer to wait until the next training.

Action Required:

As the new election year has started, the restructuring of the board was discussed. Doty made a motion that all positions will remain the same for the 2026 year, Davis seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The organization had a CD that expired. Gass had researched interest rates for the surrounding area and found Washington State Bank, where it was originally, had the best local rate. Davis made a motion to keep the CD at Washington State Bank, Easton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff Reports: Attached

Open Discussion: None

Upcoming Events:

Feb 16th- Presidents Day- Closed

March 4th- Local Work Group Meeting

March 10th- Next Board Meeting

March 11th- Envirothon

March 12th- FLASH Meeting

March 19th- RC&D Meeting

April 1st- Fish Sale Pickup

April 9th- Tree Wrapping

April 10th- Tree Pickup

April 15th & 17th – CHS and SWCD plant pick up

Closing: The meeting adjourned at 8:13 a.m.

Bill Janes, Chairman

