**BUREAU COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

January 7, 2025

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Mike Thacker, Bill Gebeck, Todd Sears, Rod Grunloh, Jim May

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

**DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:** Becca Taylor - RC

**NRCS PERSONNEL PRESENT:** Erika Luft – DC, Richard Rappley - NRS

**Call to Order:** Mike Thacker called the meeting to order at 8:35a.m.

**Guests:** Ainslee Stroup – IDOA Conservation Planner

**Approval of Minutes:** No minutes to approve.

**Approval of Bills:** Rod Grunloh made a motion to approve the open bills. Bill Gebeck seconded; motion carried.

**Approval of Timesheets:** Todd Sears made a motion to approve the November/December timesheets. Bill Gebeck seconded; motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Budget & Finance:** No updates.

**Education & Outreach:** Planning for LUC Envirothon.

**Natural Areas:** No updates.

**Personnel:** Ashley on maternity leave.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**BUSINESS**

**PFC:** ~570 acres of cover crops planned.

**SSRP:** No updates.

**CRP:** Receiving re-enrollmens/new contracts

**CREP:** No updates.

**Seeding Service:** No updates

**Vegetative Filter Strips:** No updates.

**Zonings**: Becca received 4 requests. See attached zoning report. Mike Thacker made a motion to approve the 4 requests. Jim May seconded; motion carried.

**Equipment Purchase:** None.

**Whitver Farm:** No updates.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** N/A.

NEW BUSINESS

**AISWCD Changes:** general updates.

**Director Election:** director election next month.

**Prairie Chickens:** Pheasants have been spotted at Whitver.

**Agenda items for next meeting:** Election

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held at Bonucci Farms on February 4th at 8:15a.m.

**Adjournment:** Mike Thacker adjourned the meeting at 9:04a.m.

Minutes drafted and submitted by Ashley Wallace