

April 3, 2003

The Clark County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their regular board meeting on Thursday, February 7, 2003.

Those present were Sam Hagest, Judy Martin, Joe Madison, Dana Coots, Amil Kleinert, Peg Wright, Tami Kruer, Pat Larr, Mike Johnson, Bryan Wallace, John Young, and Melanie Davis.

#### NEW BUSINESS

District officers were elected for 2003. Amil Kleinert moved that Sam Hagest continue as District Chairman and Dana Coots as Vice-Chairman. Peg Wright seconded the motion and motion carried.

Melanie Davis reported that she, Bryan Wallace, and Pat Larr, had received word of the grant funds that are available through Five-Star Restoration Challenge Grants. These are grants awarded through the cooperation of the National Association of Counties, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, and the Wildlife Habitat Council, for community based wetland, riparian, and coastal habitat restoration. Grant awards are between \$5,000 to \$20,000 with the average grant being \$10,000. The 5 stars in the grant are the project partners. Partners can supply in-kind or cash dollars to the project and should include volunteers, preferably youth groups. Melanie, Pat and Bryan are proposing a project that would incorporate 1.5 acres of riparian buffers into the drainage ways of a subdivision to help filter lawn chemicals and other pollutants from runoff water. They have not selected a subdivision, but have a couple of developers in mind to speak to. Dan Cristiani and Greg Landers were mentioned as possibilities to contact. Melanie asked the board if they approved of the idea and would like to move forward with it and submit a grant proposal. Board members agreed that they would like to submit the proposal.

Melanie received a letter from the Clark County 4-H Corporation Board inquiring as to whether or not the SWCD would like to sponsor the Soil and Water Conservation trophies at the 2003 4-H Fair. The cost is \$18.00, and a response is needed by February 15. Dana Coots made a motion to sponsor the trophies. Peg Wright seconded the motion and all approved.

#### STAFF REPORTS

None.

CONSERVATION PLANS FOR BOARD APPROVAL/SIGNATURES

None.

CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

With no further business, Sam Hagest adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Melanie Davis  
Secretary