

Marion Soil and Water Conservation District
Budget Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 14, 2021
6:09 PM to 7:42 PM
Recording available on request

Attendance

Directors: Dave Budeau, Terry Hsu, Rochelle Koch, and Brenda Sanchez (*joined meeting at 7:35PM*)

Public Budget Committee: Chair Brent Stevenson, Sarah Bishop, Bob Dettwyler, Karen Garst, Tim Johnson Kenneth, and Ralph Fisher (*left meeting at 7:12; not present for budget vote*)

Staff: Meredith Hoffman Susan Ortiz

Called Meeting to Order

- Committee Chair Stevenson called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

Budget Committee Chair Election

- **Koch nominated Brent Stevenson as Budget Committee Chair, 2nd by Bob Dettwyler.** No further nominations. Bob Dettwyler called to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot. **Passed unanimously.**

Budget Message and Budget Presentation

- Meredith presented the Budget Message and Budget, and answered questions.

7:12 Ralph Fisher left the meeting

Public Comment

- Director Koch read a letter from Associate Director Scott Walker (see attachment).

7:35 Brenda Sanchez joined the meeting

General Deliberations

- Ken Palke stated that he was happy that the Budget reflected a commitment to on-the-ground projects. Bob Dettwyler concurred.
- Sarah Bishop stated that it was a well thought out budget, she suggested that the District consider creating a Reserve Fund for future building repair and major upkeep costs.

Budget Motions

- Karen Garst moved to adopt the 2021-2022 Budget as presented. 2nd by Sarah Bishop. Passed by unanimous vote.
- Karen Garst moved to approve a tax rate of \$0.05 per \$1,000 of assessed value. 2nd by Sarah Bishop. Passed by unanimous vote.

Budget Hearing will be held on May 5th.

Committee Chair Stevenson adjourned the meeting at 7:42 PM.

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