



BRIEF ANNUAL REPORT SUBMITTED BY ALLEN COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT - FEBRUARY 13, 2025

MISSION

To promote the wise use of soil, water, and related natural resources

DISTRICT PROJECT DOMAINS

Conservation Reserve Program

- Gabriel Curtis, Courtney Taylor, Rhiannon Lake

US Geological Survey

- Gabriel Curtis, Courtney Taylor, Rhiannon Lake

Water Quality Monitoring

- Gabriel Curtis, Courtney Taylor, Maiya Rizzo, Camille Sczerbowicz

Urban and Small Farms / Urban Soil Health

- Elyssa Lewis, Rhiannon Lake

Smart Soils Initiative

- Rhiannon Lake, Jason Hartenstein

Education and Outreach

- Each Project Manager leads at least 1 event to benefit the community

DISTRICT PERSONNEL

Board of Supervisors:

- Chad Shaw, Chair
- Tom Miller, Vice Chair
- Jain Young, Treasurer
- Tyler Stieglitz, Chair of Elections
- Tom Crowe, past Chair

Associate Supervisors:

- Dick Crowl and Don Rekeweg

Current Staff:

- Julie Davis Good, Director
- Gabriel Curtis, Watershed Project Manager
- Suzi Eloph, Office Manager
- Jason Hartenstein, Program Assistant
- Elyssa Lewis, Watershed Project Manager
- Maiya Rizzo, Program Assistant
- Courtney Taylor, Conservation Grants Manager
- Camille Sczerbowicz, Resilient Indiana Technician (IASWCD)

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Form approved by State Board of Accounts, 2002

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF **ALLEN COUNTY**

January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024

File with State Board of Accounts by March 1, 2025 (via Gateway) and GMS by March 31, 2025.

Balance Brought Forward	\$ 239,855.03
RECEIPTS	
State for District Operations	\$ 20,000.00
Clean Water Indiana Grant	\$ -
County for District Operations	\$ -
Federal and State Funds (not CWI)	\$ 224,984.53
Non Government Grants	\$ -
Other Grants (List)	\$ -
Total Intergovernmental Receipts	\$ 244,984.53
Equipment Rental & Farm Income	\$ -
Donations & Memberships	\$ 5,817.62
Other Charges for Services (Describe)	\$ -
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Total Charges for Services	\$ 5,817.62
Advertising	\$ -
Annual Meeting Income	\$ -
Interest from Checking, CDs, Savings, Etc.	\$ 3,410.35
Reimbursements & Refunds	\$ 2,116.00
Sale of Used Equipment	\$ 56,530.00
Sales Income	\$ 990.11
Workshop/Field Day Income	\$ 2,225.00
Other Miscellaneous Revenue (Sales Tax Collected)	
Other Miscellaneous Revenue (Describe)	\$ -
Other Miscellaneous Revenue (Describe)	\$ -
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	\$ 65,271.46
Sub-Total (before investment activity)	\$ 316,073.61
Sale of Investments (CDs, transfers)	\$ -
TOTAL (balance forward + receipts + investments)	\$ 555,928.64

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DISBURSEMENTS	
Capital Outlays (Equipment)	\$ 1,039.99
Annual Meeting Expenses	\$ 1,781.73
Audit Expense	\$ 1,942.92
Bonding and Liability Insurance	\$ -
CWI Projects or other State grant funded projects	\$ -
Conservation Education Programs	\$ 750.00
Contractual Services	\$ 3,830.08
Cost-Share Projects/Federally-Funded	\$ 346,886.38
Cost-Share Projects/SWCD-Funded	\$ -
CWI Payments to other SWCDs & other gov. entities	\$ -
Dues & Subscriptions	\$ 6,165.00
Employee Salaries Paid by District	\$ -
Office Supplies (D201)	\$ 4,188.02
Other Services & Charges (D312)	\$ 8,652.49
Postage & Delivery & Operating Expenses (D202)	\$ 182.37
Printing/Copying Expense (D303)	\$ 159.00
Rent	\$ 7,052.90
Repair Expenses	\$ 1,620.43
Taxes Paid	\$ -
Supervisor Per Diem	\$ -
Supplies for Resale	\$ 2,200.00
Telephone or Other Utilities	\$ -
Travel/Lodging/Mileage/Registration/Meals (D302)	\$ 3,887.72
Workshop/Field Day Expense (D312)	\$ 7,277.47
Other Disbursements (NGO/other grant expenses) (D707)	\$ 6,350.57
Other Disbursements (other supplies)	\$ 6,278.85
Other Disbursements (Sales Tax due)	\$ 1.80
Other Disbursements (Describe)	\$ -
Total General Government Disbursements	\$ 410,247.72
Sub-Total (before investment activity)	\$ 410,247.72
Purchase of Investments (CDs, transfers)	\$ 100,000.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (disbursements + investments)	\$ 510,247.72
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 31	\$ 45,680.92
CLAIMS PAID BY COUNTY	
Salaries	\$ 147,161.00
Fringe	\$ 23,503.00
Other	\$ 17,300.18
INVESTMENT INVENTORY	
Beginning Investments	\$ -
Ending Investments	\$ -
Change (+/-)	\$ -
CASH BOXES	
Petty Cash	\$ 70.00
Cash Change	\$ 50.00



Minutes of the 79th Annual Meeting Saturday, February 24th, 2024

The 79th Annual Meeting of the Allen County Soil and Water Conservation District was held at Tim and Deanne Rorick's farm, 4710 S. Webster Rd. New Haven, IN 46774. A pancake and sausage breakfast was served to all in attendance as the meeting started. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. by SWCD Board Chairman, Chad Shaw.

Chad Shaw welcomed all to the Allen County SWCD Annual Meeting. An invocation was given by Tyler Stieglitz, Allen County SWCD Supervisor. Tom Miller, Supervisor, introduced SWCD Supervisors, Associate Supervisors, SWCD staff and special guests (Councilman Don Wyss, Larry Clemens, MRBC Director Rod Renkenberger, and Allen County Surveyor Mike Fruchey as well as additional leadership).

To address the orders of business, Supervisor Tom Crowe presented the 2023 Annual Meeting minutes. Without discussion, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Tom Miller, seconded by Jain Young, and the motion passed. Supervisor Crowe then reviewed the 2023 End-of-Year Financial Report. After asking for questions regarding the report, he stated that the Annual Financial Report would be filed subject to audit.

Jain Young introduced elections by describing the qualifications to be a District Supervisor and explained voter eligibility. She then announced the candidacy for the election of Chad Shaw. Supervisor Young asked if there were nominations from the floor. Hearing none, a motion carried to close nominations. Ballots were distributed, voting commenced, and then ballots were collected.

Chad Shaw gave a report on 2023 activities including events participated in and hosted by the district, grant and partnership updates, and programs managed by the Allen County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Greg Lake, District Director, presented special awards to key collaborators in conservation. First, Joelle Neff was recognized as "Friend of Conservation". Three parties were honored as "Friends of the District": Jerry Perkins, Tim & Deanne Rorick, and Wayne Lake. Greg thanked the recipients for their continued dedication to the efforts of the district.

Supervisor Young announced the results of the election with Chad Shaw elected as a District Supervisor. Chad Shaw was re-installed as an Elected Supervisor, sworn in by Don Wyss, Allen County Councilman.

Following announcements by Supervisor Shaw, Larry Clemens (State Director, The Nature Conservancy) provided an update on Clean Water Indiana. A second presentation focused on "Rainfall, Runoff, Climate Change, and Flood Plain Mapping" by Mike Fruchey and Rod Renkenberger prior to adjournment.

Respectfully submitted by:

Julie Davis Good, Director, Allen County SWCD (*in absentia*, submitted 2/12/25)