

Bond County Soil & Water Conservation District  
1111 E. Harris Ave., Greenville, IL 62246  
Regular Monthly Board Meeting, Thursday, February 05, 2026

The regular monthly meeting of the Bond County Soil and Water Conservation District's Board of Directors at the Bradford Room in Greenville, IL on Thursday, February 05, 2026. Bingham called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Directors: Mike Bingham, Carl Albert, Wes Pourchot, Justin Jefferson, Brad Criner  
Employees, Associate Directors and Guests present: Emily Hartmann, Roger Marcoot, Mike McCormick.  
Absent: Denny Kirkham (out of state)

Directors reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Albert moved to approve the minutes as presented. Criner seconded. Motion passed. Last month's financial reports, current bills due, and delinquent accounts were reviewed and discussed by the board. Criner moved to approve the financial report as presented. Jefferson seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**Partner Reports:** FSA provided sign-up deadlines for the Dairy Margin, Non-Insured Crop Disaster, Marketing Assistance loans and Supplemental Disaster Relief Programs. NRCS will attend the annual meeting and give an update there.

**IDNR CREP Report:** Hartmann updated the board on the progress of CREP easements.

**Old Business:** PFC Sign-up is online via the website and Hartmann will be sending a press release to the radio station. Hartmann reviewed the annual report and the NLRS survey.

**New Business:** The Local Led meeting and survey will be held immediately following the annual meeting. The Climate Smart Agriculture Program is launching and 2 landowners from Bond County have been accepted. Soil Health Assessment Training is coming but details have not been announced. AITC plans for the spring semester and summer were discussed. Primary events include FFA Week (Feb 23-27), 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Conservation Education Day, Poster and Coloring Contests for Arbor and Earth Day, and the Summer Teacher Workshop. Discussion occurred regarding possible tour sites for the teacher workshop. Directors recommended a solar/sheep farm in Ramsey, IL; Masa Milling in Greenville; Hoffman Seedhouse in Hoffman; or one of the equipment locations in Vandalia.

**Administrative Coordinator's Report:** Hartmann is active in the work on current CREP easements. She is assisting NRCS with admin work and with CSP/CRP workload. Invoicing is caught up and the website was recently updated. Hartmann still needs to complete her two written plans to be submitted for her Conservation Planner certification. Hartmann attended the Bond County Farm Bureau Annual meeting on Jan. 30 to give a report on SWCD and AITC. The annual meeting and local led meeting will follow on February 5. There is a state AITC virtual meeting on Feb. 10 that Hartmann and Zimmerman will participate in. The office is closed on Feb. 16.

**Conservation Associate's Report:** Marcoot is working to collect outstanding bills.

**Next Regular Meeting: March 10** at 8:00 a.m.

Pourchot moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:06 a.m. Jefferson seconded. Motion carried.

Emily Hartmann, Executive Director