



Illinois Valley Soil & Water Conservation District

Monthly Meeting Minutes

331 E Cottage Park Drive Suite 1/ZOOM

February 26, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Webb at 7:21 p.m.

Meeting attendance Roster:

In-Person	Via Zoom Teleconference	Absent
Robert Webb		
Katrina Poydack		
Zachary Robinson		
Matthew Robinson		
Kathy Mechling		
Rhett Nelsen		
Janice Denney		
John Bellville, Staff		
Arlyse DeLoyola, Staff		
Lydia Robinson, Guest		
Kevin O'Brien, IWVC		
Eric Nusbaum, ODA		
Beth Petrzak, ODA		
LJ Norman, LJ Norman Co		
Scott Ceciliani, OWRD		

Notes were taken by: Arlyse DeLoyola

- **Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were presented to the board for review.
  - **Zachary Robinson moved to approve the minutes.**
  - **Rhett Nelsen seconded the motion.**
  - **The motion passed unanimously, with Webb, Nelsen, Z Robinson, Mechling, Poydack, Denney, and M Robinson, voting in favor.**
- **Financial Reports:** The financial reports for December-January 2025/26 were presented to the board for review.
  - **Katrina Poydack made a motion to approve the Financial Reports as presented.**
  - **Matthew Robinson seconded the motion.**
  - **The motion passed unanimously, with Webb, Nelsen, Z Robinson, Mechling, Poydack, Denney, and M Robinson, voting in favor.**
- **Old Business**

There was no Old Business discussed.
- **New Business**

A sample position description was presented to the board for review and approval.

- Rhett Nelsen moved to approve the position description.
- Katrina Poydack seconded the motion.
- Discussion was held, noting the position will need to be posted in IV News on Monday to make the Wednesday publication date, and what outlets to advertise in.

The motion passed unanimously, with Webb, Nelsen, Z Robinson, Mechling, Poydack, Denney, and M Robinson, voting in favor.

- **Partnering Agency Reports:**

**Beth Pietrzak** of Oregon Department of Agriculture announced the Capacity Listening Sessions March 26 from 1-3pm in Roseburg and their will be meetings in April and May which will have remote options. She also announced that SIA Restoration grant applications are due on March 12. Those grants are \$30,000 maximum and the land must fall into the SIA.

**Eric Nusbaum** of Oregon Department of Revenue stated that the Rulemaking Process is very important and that Measure 76 is mandating that Lottery Funds lead directly to projects, so other means of Capacity Support will likely need to be located. He also spoke about a bill regarding indemnity for recreational use of land. He suggested we contact our insurer to maintain protection.

2026 is an election year and the law has changed for incumbents. Anyone seeking re-election must file 10 days earlier than the public. Information will be out soon.

He is currently working on a board handbook and will conduct Board Training at the March meeting.

- **Staff Reports:**

- John reviewed his report and answered questions regarding projects.

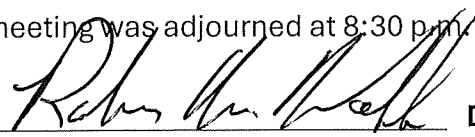
- Arlyse had nothing to add to her written report

- **Public Comment:**

- Janice announced there will be a Josephine County Farm Collective event Saturday February 28<sup>th</sup> in Cave Junction. It will be at Peach Rock Market from 2-4pm.

- **NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting will be held March 26, 2026 at 6:00 pm**

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

- **Approved Minutes:**  Date: 3.26.24