



Illinois Valley Soil & Water Conservation District

Monthly Meeting Minutes

331 E Cottage Park Drive Suite 1/ZOOM

May 28, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Webb at 6:00 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         |                         |        |
| Lydia Robinson, Guest |                         |        |
| Heather Gilinsky      |                         |        |
| Arlyse DeLoyola       |                         |        |
| John Bellville, Staff |                         |        |
| Kevin O'Brien         |                         |        |
| W. Reid               |                         |        |
| Lydia Robinson        |                         |        |
| Bill Joerger          |                         |        |
| Chris Hall            |                         |        |
|                       | Austin Roseberry        |        |
| Craig Harper          |                         |        |
| Jill Smedstad         |                         |        |

Notes were taken by: Heather Gilinsky

- **Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were presented to the board for review.
  - Rhett Nelsen moved to approve the minutes as corrected.
  - Katrina Poydack seconded the motion.
  - The motion passed unanimously, with Webb, Nelsen, Z Robinson, M Robinson, Mechling, Poydack, Denney voting in favor.
- **Financial Reports:** The financial reports for April 2026 were presented to the board for review.
  - Katherine Mechling made a motion to approve the Financial Reports as presented.
  - Matthew Robinson seconded the motion.
  - The motion passed unanimously, with Webb, Nelsen, Z Robinson, M Robinsonson, Mechling, Poydack, Denney voting in favor.

- Jill Smedstad and Craig Harper did a presentation on Place-Based Planning
- **Old Business**
  - **Hiring Update:**

John Bellville discussed upcoming interviews with three candidates and encouraged board members to attend.

- **New Business**

Arlyse DeLoyota was presented with a gift of appreciation for her great work and time with the District and Council.

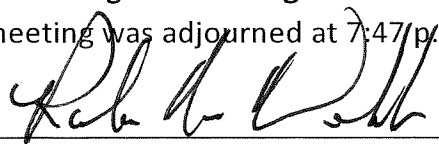
- **Staff Reports:**

- John reviewed his report and answered questions regarding projects.

- **Partnering Agency Reports:**

- Kevin O'Brien gave a report for the Watershed Council.
- **Public Comment:** No public comment.
- **NEXT MEETING:** The next regular meeting will be held June 25, 2026 at 6:00 pm
- Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

- **Approved Minutes:**



Date: May 23, 2026