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NEWS RELEASE

Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District Officials Issued Oath of Office

Stephanie A. Vance and Duayne Wetherell were issued the oath of office after being re-elected to the board of supervisors of the Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District (JSWCD). Jefferson County Commissioner Tony Morelli presided during the swearing-in ceremony held prior to the January JSWCD reorganization meeting. In the election caused by the Ohio Soil and Water Conservation Commission in October 2020, Vance and Wetherell were elected by the citizens of Jefferson County to guide the District in their mission to promote the conservation of the lands and waters of the county.

The JSWCD has been committed to providing the local residents with the most effective and economically sound technical and educational conservation delivery for over 76 years. As a political subdivision of the state of Ohio, under the Ohio Department of Agriculture, Division of Soil and Water Conservation, the five elected board members serve three-year rotated terms and provide guidance to address natural resources problems inherent to Jefferson County.

During their reorganization meeting the election of officers was held. Mark Nelson was elected as board chair; Ken Perkins as vice-chair; Vance as board secretary; Jodee Verhovec as treasurer; and Wetherell as Public Relations chair. Paul Sweeney and Dr. Eric Haenni serve as Associate Board members.

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PHOTO: (left) Jefferson County Commissioner Tony Morelli; (right) Duayne Wetherell, Jefferson SWCD Board; (not pictured) Stephanie A. Vance