

## **Approved Minutes**

The meeting of the Waseca County SWCD Board of Supervisors was held at the Waseca Soil and Water meeting room on December 18, 2008. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Wayne Cords, Chairman.

### **Members Present**

Wayne Cords, Chairman  
Ron Purcell, Treasurer  
Roger Androli, Vice-Chair  
Jurgen Peters, Secretary

### **Staff Present**

Marla Watje, District Manager  
Darlene Kukuczka, Office Assistant  
Jim Jirik, NRCS

Motion by Ron, second by Roger to approve the agenda as distributed.

Motion carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Motion by Ron, second by Roger to approve the minutes of November 13, 2008.

Motion carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None

The treasurer's report dated November 30, 2008 was presented to the Board for review.

Motion by Jurgen, second by Roger to approve the Treasurers Report as presented and file for audit. Motion carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Invoices: Motion by Ron, second by Roger to approve the payment of the presented invoices.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Conservationist of 2008: Discussion was held on the state convention expenses, pictures and news article. A conservationist sign was discussed and would need to be looked into for cost, as the District has not provided these signs for many years.

Motion by Ron, second by Roger to pay for John Malterer's lodging expense at the state Convention of \$204.80. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Motion by Jurgen, second by Roger to have picture and article in the local newspaper.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

### **Supervisors Report:**

Ron- Briefed the board on the Cannon River Meeting and Area VI meeting.

Jurgen- Briefed the board on Alliance activities and upcoming annual meeting.

### **Staff Report:**

Marla- Briefed board on current office activities and field work.

Darlene – Reported on work activities for Three Rivers RC&D and GBERBA (Alliance)

### **NRCS Reports**

Jim- Briefed board on EQIP, Todd Piepho's position as the new NRCS soils conservation technician, WRP, and a program audit being conducted within his agency.

**RC&D contract/Alliance contract:**

Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to increase both 2009 contracts by 50 cents (\$25.00/hr).  
Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Cost Share Amendment & Payments:**

Amendment:

Motion by Ron, second by Roger to amend (FY07-5) Pheasants Forever contract for an additional \$335.00 and Shaetke (FY09-2) well sealing project for an additional \$150.00.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Payment request for FY07-5 Pheasant Forever for cost share amount of \$760.00

Payment request for FY09-2 Shaetke for cost share amount of \$1000.00

Motion by Ron, second by Roger to approve payment of both projects.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Cost Share Applications:**

Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to approve cost share application and forward to GBERBA for approval for Pete Madden for the cost share amount of \$7500.00 for a sediment basin.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Letter of Support:**

Marla presented a grant proposal by MNDOT/DNR for roadside native planting projects for water quality. They are requesting a letter of support. Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to approve and send a letter of support. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Comp Plan:**

Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to adopt and submit the Waseca SWCD 5 year Comprehensive Plan to BWSR. Motion Carried: Affirmative: Three Opposed: One

Discussion was held on the Waseca County Comprehensive Water Plan that is not completed yet. Concerns were mentioned about consistency by having one plan for the county and district.

Motion by Jurgen, second by Ron to review the County plan after it has been submitted and approve by BWSR to possibly approve and adopt it as the District plan.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Additional help:**

Marla requested temporary help to assist with elink reporting, filing and other misc. office tasks.

Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to allow Marla to hire temporary help at \$7.50/hour for a maximum of 100 hours. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**IRS mileage rate:**

It was so noted that the 2009 rate is 55 cents per mile.

**BWSR Work areas**

Marla reported on changes in BWSR's staff areas. Jeremy Maul is the district's new WCA contact person.

Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to approve the resolution amending the TEP panel by adding Jeremy Maul, BWSR and deleting Angie Knish and Chris Hughes, BWSR.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Cannon River Watershed Partnership membership:**

Motion by Jurgen, second by Roger to pay the \$25.00 membership dues.

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Outstanding County bill:**

The district has not received its allocation for WCA program from the county for the last two years. Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to direct Wayne to send a bill for \$27,612.00

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

**Misc:** Jurgen plans to bring an old oak log for display at tree day.

Motion by Roger, second by Ron to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was declared adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Motion Carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None.

The Next Board Meeting will be January 8 at 6:30 P.M. at Out to Lunch.