

Approved Minutes

The meeting of the Waseca County SWCD Board of Supervisors was held at the Waseca Soil and Water District's meeting room on June 11, 2009.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Wayne Cords, Chairman.

Members Present

Wayne Cords, Chairman
Jurgen Peters, Vice Chair
Ron Purcell, Treasurer
Larry Hagen, Secretary

Staff Present

Marla Watje, District Manager
Darlene Kukuczka, Office Assistant

NRCS Staff

Jim Jirik, NRCS

Others

Lisa Buckner, Three Rivers RC&D/NRCS

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

Motion carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Motion by Jurgen, second by Larry, to approve the minutes of May 14, 2009.

Motion carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None

The treasurer's report dated May 31, 2009 was presented to the Board for review. Motion by Larry, second by Jurgen to approve the Treasurer's Reports as presented and file for audit.

Motion carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None

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

Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Supervisors Reports:

Jurgen –The Alliance Executive Board will be meeting on June 26.

Larry – Briefed the board on Three Rivers upcoming July meeting & MARCD conference.

Wayne – Briefed the board on 1st grade environmental day.

Staff Reports:

Marla – Briefed the board on current activities with WCA.

Darlene – Briefed the board on Three Rivers RC&D and GBERBA work activities.

NRCS Report: Jim reported that the main workload has been completing EQIP and WRP applications. We had a good sign-up with a mix of practices; Composters, a few terraces, and tillage. Our allocation of \$285,000 was all used up. We are now under sign-up for a new Organic EQIP program. We have several applications. Some are new producers and some will be existing organic operations.

We are also starting payments for tillage so Todd has been our doing residue checks. We should have that completed within a week.

We will start on Conservation Compliance checks soon after that.

Three Rivers RC&D: Lisa Buckner reported on the upcoming Three Rivers meeting/tour and the summer conference; the PCWL grant has about 150 acres available for productive conservation crop assistance; grant applications have been submitted on energy efficiency and beginning farmer training; Grazing tour/events will be held in Waseca and Faribault counties.

2010 budget: The 2010 preliminary budget was distributed and discussed.

Cost Share Payments: Alliance Projects:

#81-11 Woody Woodruff Streambank, Shoreland protection Payment Request \$ 6000.00
Motion by Ron, second by Larry to submit projects to GBERBA for payment, authorizing Wayne to sign projects when completed prior to June 26th.
Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Cost Share Payments: District Funds

FY09-09 LaVerne Groskreutz Shelterbelt Payment Request \$ 900.00
Motion by Larry, second by Ron to approve the above cost share payment.
Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Cost Share Applications:

FY09-2 NB Dawn McGregor Encumber request \$ 6,000.00
FY09-1 NB Woody Woodruff Encumber request \$ 6,000.00
FY09-3 NB Dave Arndt Encumber request \$19,610.00
FY-09-15 W Richard Ristau Encumber request \$30,348.00
Motion by Ron, second by Larry to approve the above cost share applications.
Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Zone 10 Agreement: The Zone 10 Joint Powers name will be changed to the South Central Technical Services Area (SCTSA). Along with the name change two additional SWCD's (Rennville and McLeod) will join. A South Central Minnesota Soil and Water Districts Joint Powers agreement was presented for approval.

Motion by Ron, second by Larry to approve and sign the Joint Powers Agreement.
Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

MASWCD Supervisor/Employee Conference: The agenda was reviewed for the event in St Cloud on July 14-15th.

2009 Outstanding Conservationist: Discussion was held. Motion by Larry, second by Ron to nominate Curt and Gladys Carlson. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Camera: Motion by Ron, second by Jurgen to approve the purchase of a camera for approximately \$200.00 Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Seasonal help: Motion by Ron, second by Larry to authorize Marla to continue with seasonal help at \$7.50/hour for an additional 100 hours. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Resolutions: Resolutions from other districts were reviewed and discussed. All resolutions will be voted on at Area VI meeting.

Motion by Ron, second by Larry to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Motion Carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None.

The Next Board Meeting will be August 13, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. at the Waseca SWCD office.