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## **SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

### **Approved Minutes**

The meeting of the Waseca County SWCD Board of Supervisors was held at the Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District's meeting room on April 9, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Wayne Cords, Chairman.

#### **Members Present**

Wayne Cords, Chairman  
Jessie Shaffer, Secretary  
Todd Stencel, Treasurer  
Scott Hildebrandt, Vice Chair

#### **Staff Present**

Dan Arndt, Manager  
Adrienne Justman, Administrative Assistant

The agenda was reviewed and no changes were required. Motion was made by Hildebrandt, second by Shaffer, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried. All yes

Minutes of the March Board Meeting were distributed to the supervisors prior to the meeting. Motion was made by Hildebrandt, second by Stencel, to approve the minutes as written. Motion carried. All yes.

Cash flow worksheet was reviewed. The treasurer's report dated March 2015 was presented to the Board for review. Motion was made by Stencel, second by Shaffer, to approve the Treasurers Report. Motion carried. All yes.

Bills: (See Attached) Motion was made by Stencel, second by Shaffer, to approve payment for the presented invoices that total \$8,759.61. Motion carried. All yes.

### **Old Business**

1. GBERBA Meeting – March 13 – Shaffer attended this GBERBA Policy meeting. The topics of discussion were similar to past meetings that she attended and included results for grants that they had applied for and how to improve them. They also discussed the 2014 Year End financial and the budget. There was also discussion about the Clean Water Fund grants that they intend to apply for this year.

LeSueur Watershed Network – Shaffer attended this meeting on March 24 at St. Claire. There was discussion about the history of the site and the 2010 floods and the waste water facility that flooded. There was also discussion about possible options to prevent this from happening in the future.

CSEO – Community Forestry – March 20 – Shaffer attended this meeting. The focus was how to replace trees in urban areas. The people in attendance were asked to brainstorm possible solutions. There is a desire to do an urban tree inventory and there are grants that can be applied for to complete a project such as this.

### **New Business**

1. Personnel Committee Meeting – March 25 – Hildebrandt reported on the Personnel Committee meeting and interviews. There were 6 applicants interviewed for the position. He discussed the interview process as well as the resulting scores for each applicant.

2. Approve to hire new SWCD Technician – Tyler Polster – Dan presented the background information for the possible new Technician, Tyler Polster. After a brief discussion of his background and skills motion to hire him was made by Hildebrandt, seconded by Stencel. Motion carried by voice vote.
3. CCRP Contribution Agreement – Dan presented the information about a contribution agreement that was being offered by NRCS and facilitated through MASWCD. Under the agreement the SWCD would be developing up to 75 CCRP plans for NRCS. The SWCD will be compensated \$480 per plan. The new Technician will be receiving specialized training so he can assist with this process. There was a motion to send a letter of intent to participate made by Hildebrandt, seconded by Stencel. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. New supervisor training – April 10 – Dan distributed the agenda for this meeting to the supervisors.
5. Tree Distribution – Tree distribution will take place May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Waseca Fairgrounds.
6. Other – Cords notified the board that the TMDL and the WRAPS for the LeSueur River are on notice and available for comment. The most significant issue found with the river is altered hydrology. There is too much water entering the river too quickly.

Agency Reports:

None Made

Staff Reports:

Justman reported on her time in Waseca. She has been assisting Arndt with interview preparations.

Arndt reported on 2 feedlot site meetings that he attended during the last month. He also has been involved in facilitating meeting between two local landowners to resolve a long standing drainage issue

Adjourn: Motion was made by Hildebrandt, seconded by Stencel, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by voice vote, all in favor.

## April Bills

Steele Co. SWCD	Hours	5143.47	
	Expanses/Mileage	228.40	5371.87
Jared J Dufault	Bookkeeping Services		125.00
Clemons Properties	April Rent		665.00
Waseca County Jail	Fingerprints Card		10.00
Supervisor Compensation	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter		1768.51
Supervisor Expenses	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter		819.23
		<b>Total</b>	<b>8759.61</b>