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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 May 14, 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 Stencil, Treasurer  
Scott Hildebrandt, Vice Chair

#### **Staff Present**

Dan Arndt, Manager  
Adrienne Justman, Administrative Assistant  
Tyler Polster, District Technician

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

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

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

Bills: (See Attached) Motion was made by Stencil, second by Hildebrandt, to approve payment for the presented invoices that total \$10,608.23. Motion carried. All yes.

### **Old Business**

1. New Supervisor Training – April 10 – Jessie Shaffer attended this training in Sleepy Eye. She reported that much of the material was review since she has been on the board for a while already but it would have been very helpful for a brand new member. They discussed what was expected of a board member and answered questions. There were 15-20 people who attended.

GBERBA – Shaffer attended the supervisors GBERBA meeting. There was discussion about the 319 and Clean Water grants that they received. These funds are specifically to be used for drainage systems. There was also discussion about other opportunities for acquiring funds, and the Elm Creek pilot project.

2. MPCA report – Wayne spoke about the MPCA report that was released. A copy was distributed to each supervisor.

### **New Business**

1. Tom Gile, BWSR Conservationist – Tom Gile attended the board meeting. He spoke about his role, which is primarily to provide oversight and guidance on managing BWSR grant funds. He stated that BWSR is working on the 2016 budget. Gile also pointed out an area, St. Olaf Lake, which would be a prime candidate for receiving grant funding due to its current condition and the size of the watershed.

2. Cost Share Application 1(14) Carl Guse – Grassed Waterways, 1.6 Acres – Estimate \$4,070, Cost Share \$3,052.50 – Motion was made by Shaffer, seconded by Stencel, to approve this project application. Motion carries by voice vote.
3. Tom Klug, Soil Health Champion – Dan Arndt requested approval to submit Tom Klug as a candidate to be a Soil Health Champion for Minnesota. Motion was made by Hildebrandt, seconded by Stencel, to approve this submission. Motion carried by voice vote.
4. MASWCD Call for Resolutions – Arndt informed the board that the call for resolutions was out and they should send any ideas that they have to the office by the next board meeting so that it can be written as a resolution and sent to the state for review.
5. Soil Health Field Day – May 30 – Freeborn Soil Health Team organized a field day to be held May 30. Arndt distributed the information to the supervisors and encouraged them to attend.
6. Soil Health Tour – August 5-7 – Arndt presented the information about the Soil Health Tour being held August 5-7 by the Burleigh County SWCD. He requested that the board approve the cost for Polster and one board member to attend. Motion was made by Stencel, seconded by Hildebrandt, to approve this expenditure. Motion carried by voice vote.

Agency Reports:  
None Made

Staff Reports:

Justman reported on her time in Waseca. She has primarily focused on basic office duties. She shared a Thank You card that Darlene Kukuczka had left for the board.

Tyler Polster reported that he has been working to wrap up the Tree Program and familiarize himself with the office.

Arndt reported that he has been working on terrace projects with Polster as well as learning about the status of the 3 unfinished LCCMR projects. Arndt requested approval to purchase a tool box for the district truck. Motion was made by Hildebrandt, seconded by Stencel, to approve the purchase. Motion carried by voice vote. Arndt also announced his intent to retire at the end of August.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Stencel, seconded by Hildebrandt, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05. Motion carried by voice vote, all in favor.

## May Bills

Steele Co. SWCD	Hours	4798.67	
	Expanses/Mileage	241.50	5040.17
Steele Co. SWCD	Trees		249.00
Clemons Properties	April Rent		665.00
Sportsman Stop	Gas		48.85
John's Service Garage	Oil Change		46.05
Wolcyn	2015 Trees		3183.75
Schumacher's	2015 Trees		1064.18
Jared J Dufault	Accounting		125.00
Ron Roemhildt	Tree Refund		20.04
Jennifer Norton	Tree Refund		58.78
Mike Zimmerman	Tree Refund		40.08
Michelle Groskreutz	Tree Refund		40.61
Neil Roesler	Tree Refund		26.72
		<b>Total</b>	<b>10608.23</b>