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MINUTES FROM THE JULY 10, 2012 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Minutes from the Todd Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting, held at Historic Courthouse, 215 1st Ave South, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

Chairman Kenny Pesta called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Members Present: Chairman, Kenny Pesta
Vice-Chairman, Dale Katterhagen
Secretary, Norman Krause
Treasurer, Tom Williamson

Members Absent: Member, Leland Buchholz

Others Present: County Commissioner, Gerry Ruda
Division Director, Tim Stieber
Administrative Assistant, Sarah Katterhagen
Resource Conservationist, Amy Piekarski
Resource Conservationist, Greg Ostrowski
Resource Conservationist, Ed Uhlenkamp
NRCS, Russell Kleinschmidt

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to approve the agenda.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson, to accept treasurer's report dated June 30, 2012 with a District Fund balance of \$262,530 and cost share disbursements totaling \$12,510.22.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Ruda welcome SWCD Board Members and Staff to the Historic Courthouse. Explained Divisions are in the process of completing the 2013 Budget.

Krause joined the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

Ruda left the meeting at 8:35 a.m.

Motion by Krause, seconded by Katterhagen to approve the minutes as distributed from the June 12, 2012 regular board meeting.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Katterhagen reported the Planning Commission Board approved a temporary home on a parcel. The house will be tied into the current mound system on the property. The board approved an Amish school building and sewer system will be installed. The board also approved of the ordinance change requirements regarding sewer inspections. If a person is building a deck, no inspection is required; inspection only is required when adding bedrooms.

LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORT: No report. No meeting was scheduled last month.

Greg Ostrowski and Ed Uhlenkamp joined the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

STAFF REPORTS: (In addition), Tim added the Division is planning for grant applications. He made a form for staff to fill out when a complaint is taken to keep record of the number of complaints. He also mentioned he is reading a book about getting rid of e-coli. Amy added she is working with Morrison SWCD on a project on Lake Alexandria. Greg added that the well levels are up a little. Ed added the D. Middendorf is looking at building a compost barn and increasing milk cows by twenty five. Russ added they are working on CRP applications and the deadline is August 10, 2012.

ACT ON PAYMENT OF 2011 SWAN RIVER FUNDS: See attachment.

ACT ON APPROVING AGBMP LOAN DOLLARS: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to approve Dave Herzog eligibility to apply for an AgBMP for \$10,210.00 to upgrade his septic system.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

ACT ON 2013 DNR OBSERVATION WELL CONTRACT: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to accept the 2013 DNR Observation Well Contract.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson.

Opposed: Krause

Motion Carried.

SWCD Board consensus to establish resolution regarding reimbursement rates reading DNR wells and to present at the next Area II Meeting.

ACT ON OUTSTANDING CONSERVATIONIST AWARD: Motion by Krause, seconded by Williamson to nominate Jay and Marie Noska as the recipient of the Outstanding Conservationist Award.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson.
Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

ACT ON STEWARDSHIP AWARD: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Krause to nominate Central Todd County Care Center as the recipient of the Stewardship Award.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson.
Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

DISCUSS COST SHARE AMOUNTS FOR TREE PLANTING: Motion by Krause, seconded by Williamson to utilize up to 20% of State Cost Share funds for cost sharing tree practices and maximum cost share rates as follows:

1. Site Preparation;
 - a. Chemical: 50% of the eligible cost not to exceed \$94.00 per acre.
 - b. Mechanical: 50% not to exceed \$68.00 per acre.
 - c. Debris removal: 50% of the eligible cost not to exceed \$500.00 per acre. Cost sharing is not authorized for burning or burying debris.
2. Trees, Shrubs, Planting:
 - a. Trees, shrubs (stock & planting): 50% of eligible cost not to exceed \$146.00 per 100.
 - b. Container conifers (stock & planting): 50% of eligible cost not to exceed \$8.00 each.
3. Weed Control:
 - a. Mechanical: 50% of eligible cost for up to 3 cultivations not to exceed \$7.20 per 100 ft. of total payment.
 - b. Chemical: 50% of eligible cost for 1 application not to exceed \$2.40 per 100 ft. of row per year.
 - c. Tree mats: Roll -50% not to exceed \$40/100 ft.; Square- 50% not to exceed \$1.00 each.
4. Wildlife Control Devices: 50% of eligible cost not to exceed \$4.00 per tree.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson.
Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

DISCUSS WILLIAMSON ATTENDING RC&D MEETING: Williamson noted he went to the last meeting on his own time and it was voted to shut RC&D down. In order to shut down they need a 2/3 vote.

Motion by Krause, seconded by Katterhagen to send Williamson to attend only the close-out meeting.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

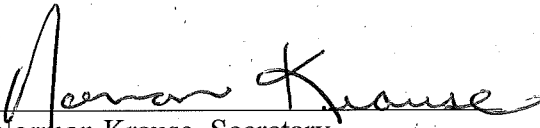
DISCUSS SIGNS AT NRCS OFFICE: Russ reported he did some research and it would cost about \$80.00 to have SWCD name covered up on the sign. The board decided that they would not pay for the sign, but volunteered to paint over the name.

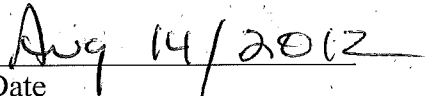
DISCUSS EXISTING TODD SWCD SIGNS LOCATED IN THE COUNTY: Discussion about contacting other counties about their signs.

DISCUSS SOIL AND WATER 2013 BUDGET: Tim noted he met with County Administrator, Nate Burkett regarding 2013 budgets. Tim is in the process of getting the budget completed to review with the SWCD board members.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Pesta adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

The next meeting of the Todd SWCD Board of Supervisors will be a **held on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Todd County Historic Courthouse (Prairie Conference room), Long Prairie, MN 56347.**


Norman Krause, Secretary


Date

July 2012 COST SHARE ACTION

2 2011 Swan River Cost Share Funds to Amend Contract

9-11SR Mark Berg Riparian Herbaceous

\$39.01

Total Amount Amended

\$39.01

Motion by	Seconded	Abstained	Yes	No	Passed
Katterhagen	Krause		4		Yes

2 2011 Swan River Cost Share Funds to Pay Completed Contract

3-11SR George Brezinka Shoreland Buffer
 6-11SR Lee Daly Shoreland Buffer & Raingarden
 9-11SR Mark Berg Riparian Herbaceous

\$3,437.93

\$4,177.50

\$2,336.14

Total Cost Share to Pay

Total \$9,951.57

Motion by	Seconded	Abstained	Yes	No	Passed
Williamson	Katterhagen		4		Yes
Krause	Williamson		4		Yes
Katterhagen	Krause		4		Yes