

Soil & Water Conservation District

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MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 9, 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.

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

Members Present: Chairperson, Kenny Pesta
Vice-Chairperson, Dale Katterhagen
Secretary, Norman Krause
Treasurer, Tom Williamson
Member, Leland Buchholz

Others Present: Division Director, Tim Stieber
Administrative Assistant, Sarah Katterhagen
Conservation Technician, Greg Ostrowski
Water Planner, Amy Piekarski
NRCS, Russell Kleinschmidt
Todd County Citizen, Aimee Goodwin
Todd County Citizen, Dorothy Snyder

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Buchholz, seconded by Katterhagen to approve the agenda with the addition of discussion of Laura (Ken) Kolb's cost share contract.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Katterhagen to approve the minutes as distributed from the September 11, 2012 regular board meeting.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.
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Motion by Krause, seconded by Katterhagen, to accept treasurer's report dated September 30, 2012 with a District Fund balance of \$262,530 and cost share disbursements totaling \$34,398.80.

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

Motion Carried.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Ruda reported that construction has started in Annex 1 & 2 and in the Courthouse.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: See minutes from the October 4, 2012 Planning and Commission meeting.

LIAISON MEETING: At the liaison meeting the boards discussed the Pheasants Forever position and stressed the importance of keeping good communication between both boards.

STAFF REPORTS: (See attachments), In addition, Tim added that he has been collecting staff hours related field and site visits—this is related to the Strategy Alignment Management. Sarah added that she is finishing up 3rd Quarter reporting. Amy added that she won't be monitoring the Long Prairie River anymore for this year and the data needs to be reported to the MPCA by November 1, 2012. Greg added they had the pre-con for the Motley streambarb project. He has completed 59 cost share spot checks and SRWD will be completing a scope and effect on 210th Street project. He also noted that he has been getting calls regarding irrigation wells, people are worried irrigation wells are drying up their private wells. Russ Kleinschmidt added that Mark Kulig is his new supervisor.

CITIZEN DISCUSSION: Aimee Goodwin and Dorothy Snyder were present at the meeting to bring forth their concerns with the Gourley Hog Facility. They are concerned with the facility being located so close to their homes and want to make sure it's a safe facility. They noted there is a ravine that goes right through their property and are concerned about the water quality. Both citizens are concerned about the feedlot runoff into the wetland. Goodwin is concerned about Air Quality as her children have asthma, and she noted if the facility is built there, her family would need to move. Another area of concern is quantity of manure that would be applied to the fields. It was explained there are setbacks farmers need to follow, and there would be a manure management plan, and farmers are responsible for tracking application of the manure. They also questioned if the water would be tested before draining into the field and who is responsible to making sure they follow the rules and all the guidelines. Todd SWCD explained so far they have not seen a plan or stormwater plan for the hog facility site. MPCA would be in charge of the site, since animal units are over 1,000. All feedlot questions and concerns would be directed to MPCA.

ACT ON ENCUMBERING 2009 MPCA/319 COST SHARE FUNDS: See attachment.

ACT ON ENCUMBERING FY12 STATE COST SHARE COST FUNDS: See attachment.

ACT ON FY13 BASE GRANT: Motion by Williamson, seconded by Katterhagen to approve FY13 Base Grant Agreement for Conservation Delivery for \$20,054, Easement Delivery for \$214.00 and Cost Share Cost Base Grant for \$21,573 for a grant total of \$41,841.00.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

DISCUSS DAVE HASSE COST SHARE CONTRACT: Motion by Krause, seconded by Buchholz to send a letter of non-compliance to Dave Hasse, cost share contract #17-06, providing him with three options to fulfill the obligations of his 10 year contract. Option 1: Replant the trees and receive cost share at a rate of 50%. Option 2: Pay Todd SWCD back the cost share funds of \$300.00. Option 3: Further action to collect through conciliation court.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

DISCUSS LAURA (KEN) KOLB COST SHARE CONTRACT: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to send a letter of non-compliance to Laura Kolb cost share contract #14-07 CWL, providing her with three options to fulfill the obligations of her 10 year contract. Option 1: Replant the trees and receive cost share at a rate of 50%. Option 2: Pay Todd SWCD back the cost share funds of \$656.25. Option 3: Further action to collect through conciliation court.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION PHEASANTS FOREVER POSITION: Krause questioned where the funds would come to support the Pheasants Forever position.

Motion by Buchholz, seconded Williamson to support Tim Stieber, Division Director to present the Pheasants Forever Position to the Todd County Board of Commissioners.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: Krause.

Motion Carried.

REVIEW & ACT ON MASWCD RESOLUTIONS: Board members and discussed and voted on each resolution, the final ballot will be submitted to MASWCD.

MASWCD ATTENDANCE: Board Supervisors Williamson, Krause and Pesta will be attending the MASWCD Annual Convention December 2, 3 & 4, 2012.

DISCUSS CONSTRUCTION SIGNS: Motion by Krause, seconded by Buchholz to have construction signs that state, Water Quality Project supported by Todd County Soil and Water office.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

DISCUSS 2012 ENVIRO FEST: 160 students attended the annual Enviro-fest at Dale and Marie Katterhagen's Farm. Two schools didn't attend this year. One school had another conflict and the other school never responded. Discussion to do personal phone call follow ups to the schools and next year send out photos/flyer with previous year's Enviro Fest.

Motion by Krause, seconded by Buchholz to officially thank Dale and Marie Katterhagen for hosting the 2012 Enviro Fest.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

DISCUSS NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING: Board consensus to hold a November 13, 2012 board meeting at 8:30 a.m.

DISCUSS JOINT BOARD MEETING DATE: Board consensus to hold the joint meeting between the Board of Commissioners and Soil and Water Board of Supervisors on October 23, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. in the County board room.

SRWD PRAP REVIEW: Norm Krause and Tim Stieber will be attending the next PRAP review on November 1, 2012 at the City Hall in Sauk Centre.

2013 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Krause to schedule 2013 Board meetings on the 2nd Thursday of each month, except February and November beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Historic Courthouse.

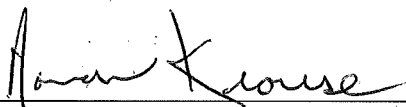
Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairperson Pesta adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

The next meeting of the Todd SWCD Board of Supervisors will be a **held on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Todd County Historic Courthouse (Prairie Conference room), Long Prairie, MN 56347.**



Norman Krause, Secretary

10/9/2012
Date

OCTOBER 2012 COST SHARE ACTION

1 2009 MPCA/319 Cost Share Funds to Encumber

27-09/319 MN Dot Streambarbs

| Motion by | Seconded | Abstained | Yes | No | Passed |
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| Buchholz | Krause | | | 5 | |

\$36,190.00
Total: \$36,190.00

2 2012 State Cost Funds to Encumber

4-12 Robert Lorentz Riparian Forest Buffer
 5-12 Marilyn Hagedorn Shelterbelt Establishment

| Motion by | Seconded | Abstained | Yes | No | Passed |
|------------|-------------|-----------|-----|----|--------|
| Williamson | Katterhagen | | | 5 | |
| Buchholz | Krause | | | 5 | |

\$680.70
 \$160.58
Total: \$841.28

Total Funds to Encumber: \$36,190.00