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MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 17, 2012 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Minutes from the Todd Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting, held at Todd Soil and Water Conservation Office at 607 9th Street Northeast, Long Prairie, MN 56347.

Chairman Kenny Pesta called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m..

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

Others Present: County Commissioner, Gerry Ruda
 Division Director, Sandy Rohr
 Resource Conservationist, Greg Ostrowski
 Resource Conservationist, Ed Uhlenkamp
 Resource Conservationist, Amy Piekarski
 Generalist, Sarah Katterhagen
 NRCS, Russell Kleinschmidt

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Affirmative: Pesta, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

Motion by Williamson, seconded by Buchholz to approve the minutes as distributed from the December 15, 2011 regular board meeting.

Affirmative: Pesta, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

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Motion by Williamson, seconded by Buchholz, to approve financial statement dated December 31, 2011 expenditures totaling \$124,617.59.

Affirmative: Pesta, Krause, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

Katterhagen joined the meeting at 8:06 a.m.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT: Commissioner Ruda reports that the County has advertised SWCDD Director Position. The position has been posted internally and externally; the goal is to find the right person for the position. Both SWCD board and County board will have input in the decision for the Director Position. Kitty Tepley also was appointed to the Park and Trails Board.

Commissioner Ruda left the meeting at 8:12 a.m.

STAFF REPORTS: (Attached) In addition, Sandy added to file conciliation court for cost share contract 8-06, the court fee would be \$75.00; board consensus not worth SWCD time or cost. Sandy handed out a copy of the Budgetary Comparison Statement Budget and Actual General Fund. She will be discussing with the County's auditor's office about investing the District Fund balance. Amy added 125 postcards were sent out to property owners in Swan River Watershed about the funding we have available, also 55 feedlot letters to feedlot owners located in the Drinking Water Supply Management Areas and under 500 animal units to see if they are interested in the next round of grant funding. Ed answered questions regarding his staff report and at the Livestock Advisory Meeting, it was noted a new dairy farm from Kentucky might come to Todd County.

Board consensus to change board meeting time to 8:30 a.m.; instead of 8:00 a.m.

TODD SWCD'S 2011 ANNUAL REPORT: Motion by Krause, seconded by Williamson to approve Todd SWCD's 2011 Annual Report.

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

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

TODD SWCD'S 2012 ANNUAL PLAN OF WORK: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Krause to approve Todd SWCD's 2012 Annual Plan of Work.

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

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

WELL SEALING POLICY: Motion by Krause, seconded by Katterhagen to approve Todd SWCD Policy for Sealing Irrigation Wells using the Irrigation Well Sealing Score Card.

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

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

ACT ON EXTENSION 2009 MPCA 319 COST SHARE CONTRACT: See attachment.

ACT ON ENCUMBERING CWF SWAN RIVER COST SHARE FUNDS: See attachment.

ACT ON PAYING COMPLETED 2009 MPCA 319 COST SHARE CONTRACT: See attachment.

AG BMP LOAN DOLLARS: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Buchholz to approve James Noska for additional \$10,000.00 for Ag BMP loans dollars for Ag Waste Management.

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

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

Krause left the meeting at 9:06 a.m.

DOUGLAS COUNTY KIDS' GROUNDWATER FESTIVAL: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to approve sponsorship of \$100.00 for Douglas County Kids' Groundwater Festival.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

2012 AREA II ENVIROTHON SPONSORSHIP: Motion by Williamson, seconded by Buchholz to approve sponsorship of \$150.00 for 2012 Area II Envirothon.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

ELECTION FRAMEWORK: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to maintain current election framework.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

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MASWCD LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING & DAY AT THE CAPITOL: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Buchholz to send Tom Williamson and Ed Uhlenkamp to MASWCD Legislative Briefing & Day at the Capitol on February 15 & 16th, 2012.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

AREA II MEETING: Motion by Williamson, seconded by Katterhagen to approve Krause, Katterhagen, Pesta, Williamson, Sandy and Sarah to attend the Area II Meeting on March 1, 2012 hosted by Stearns SWCD.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

2012 BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE: Motion by Buchholz, seconded by Williamson to approve SWCD Board meetings the seconded Tuesday of each month, except, February, May and November beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.

Motion Carried.

REQUEST TECHNICAL APPROVAL AUTHORITY: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to make a request of Steve Lutes, Area Resource Conservationist, to review Todd SWCDD Resource Conservationist, Amy Piekarski work experience and provide "Conservation Practice Technical Approval Authority for Engineered Practices" where applicable.

Affirmative: Pesta, Katterhagen, Williamson, Buchholz.

Opposed: None.


Motion Carried.

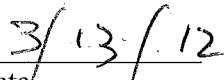
LEADERSHIP/SELF ASSESSMENT TOOL: Board consensus to review leadership/self assessment tool at the next regular board meeting.

AUDIT REPORTS: The 2012 audit report was reviewed by the SWCD Board.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Katterhagen, seconded by Williamson to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

The next regular board meeting will be **Tuesday, March 13, 2012 beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Main Street Government Center, 347 Central Ave STE #2, Long Prairie, MN 56347.**


Norman Krause, Secretary


Date

January 2012 COST SHARE ACTION

4 MPCA 319 Cost Share Contract Extension

11-09/319 City of Garfield Sediment Basin
 Extension to 12/31/2012

Total \$7,539.50
 Total Funds with Extension \$7,539.50

Motion by Seconded Abstained Yes No Passed
 Katterhagen Buchholz 5 Yes

5 2011 Swan River Cost Share Funds to Encumber

6-11SR Lee Daly Shoreline Buffer
 Total Funds to Encumber

Total \$4,178.12
 Total \$4,178.12

Motion by Seconded Abstained Yes No Passed
 Buchholz Williamson 5 Yes

6 MPCA 319 Cost Share Funds to Pay Completed Contract

21-09/319 Paul Reinhold Well Decommissioning
 Total Cost Share to Pay

Total \$438.75
 Total \$438.75

Motion by Seconded Abstained Yes No Passed
 Katterhagen Krause 5 Yes