

Stevens Soil & Water Conservation District

MINUTES

Tuesday, February 16, 2010

- I. Chair Scharf called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Present: Scharf, Libbon, Huntley. Absent: Lonergan, Krosch. Staff present: Solemsaas, Feigum, Rice, Johnston, Staebler. Staff absent: McNally. NRCS present: Jeff Hellermann, Randy Schmiesing.
- II. Supervisor Libbon moved to approve the agenda as amended. Supervisor Huntley seconded. Passed unanimously.
- III. Libbon moved to approve the Minutes from the January 19, 2010 regular meeting, as corrected. Second by Huntley. All members voting aye, the motion passed.
- IV. Huntley moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, subject to audit. Second by Libbon. Passed unanimously.
 - A. Libbon moved to pay the following bills. Seconded by Huntley, the motion passed unanimously.

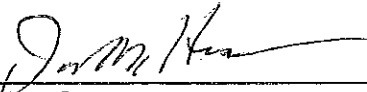
1. Don Huntley	Supervisor Pay	110.82
2. George Libbon	Supervisor Pay	226.23
3. Mary Ann Scharf	Supervisor Pay	237.64
4. Vaines Rentals	February Rent	836.33
5. Chokio Review	Annual Subscription	25.00
6. James Maiser CPA	2009 Financial Statement Preparation	850.00
7. Hancock Record	Legal Meeting Notice	11.25
8. Morris Sun Tribune	Legal Meeting Notice	31.90
9. Chokio Review	Legal Meeting Notice	15.40
10. Stevens County Highway	Gas	77.62
11. Otter Tail Power	Electric bill	13.89
12. Willie's Super Valu	Office supplies	25.63
13. Bremer Card Services	U of M – 1 st detector training	20.00
14. Munsterman Accounting	Year-end W-2s and reports	75.00
15. Federated Telephone	High Speed Internet connection	49.95
- V. Old Business – covered after SWACD Reorganization/New Business
 - A. Libbon moved to approve the 2010 Annual Plan. Huntley seconded and all members voting aye, the motion passed.
 - B. Libbon moved to approve the 2010 Budget Revision. Huntley seconded and all members voting aye, the motion passed.
- VI. New Business
 - A. Libbon moved to approve the 2009 Financial Statements as prepared by James Maiser CPA. Seconded by Huntley, the motion passed unanimously.
 - B. Huntley moved to approve the recommended the approval of the revised State Cost Share policy section of the SWCD Policy Handbook as presented. Libbon seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Staff members Solemsaas, Feigum and Staebler met with Huntley to discuss revision to the policy prior to the board meeting. The updated policy handbook will be given out at the March meeting.
 - C. Board members and staff registered for the Area 2 meeting to be held on March 18.
 - D. State Cost Share payments pending were tabled until the March meeting.
 - E. Additions to written staff reports
 1. Solemsaas updated the board on the last MACDE meeting.
 2. Feigum will be doing a pasture riparian buffer project on the Pomme de Terre River. He is also working on 12 other projects, and we will probably have 6 or so that we will complete planting on. Overall, we still have more plantings than last year. He answered questions on the EAB for board members and talked about insecticide

options, management of the pest and how it travels. The board approved the hotel, travel and registration expense to send him to the Shade Tree Short Course in St Paul.

3. Rice recently did a radio spot focusing on the RIM riparian buffer program.
 4. Johnston reported that she, Matt and Shaun will take part in the upcoming Resource Connections Expo at the Armory on February 25.
- F. NRCS Report – see written report by Randy Schmiesing. Hellermann also gave a verbal report.
1. He declined a position offering in Stearns County.
 2. Hellermann was invited to facilitate an informational meeting with a small group landowners and contractors regarding WCA and other wetland-related regulations and procedures.
- G. Supervisor Reports
1. Scharf reported on the JPB meeting last week. She is also working on the updating of the Stevens County Local Water Plan. That committee will meet one or two more times before final approval of the revised plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Don Huntley, Secretary

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Date