



MINNESOTA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS



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The Board of Supervisors of the Kandiyohi Soil and Water Conservation District held its monthly meeting on August 21, 2018.

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present were Ron Dilley, Doug Hanson, Terry Schaefer, Brandon Smith, and Jane Youngkrantz. Also present were Ellie Dittes, Conservation Technician, Sandy Laumer, Office Coordinator, Ryan Peterson, RIM Coordinator, Rick Reimer, District Manager, Laura Merten, Pheasants Forever Farm Bill Biologist, Melanie Dickman, District Conservationist, and Tara Ostendorf, BWSR Board Conservationist.

Chairman Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vouchers were prepared.

Secretary's Report was presented. Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Dilley to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on July 17, 2018. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Hanson read through the bills for reviewal and payments and presented the Treasurer's Report. Motion by Schaefer, second by Dilley to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the outstanding bills as listed in the agenda. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Supervisors led discussion on BWSR non-compliance letter send by Ostendorf. A written technical assessment plan will be submitted to BWSR by August 31, 2018 deadline.

No cost share contracts were presented at the meeting.

County fair recap included: attendance seemed low; discussion on rain fall simulator; and rain barrel winner.

Peterson entered the meeting at 10:27 a.m.

Discussion was held on the newsletter which included: Reimer spoke with print shop; have newsletter sent in November; and start list of emails to send newsletter.

Polices that need to be set in place were discussed and staff will put together list of polices and bring to next meeting for review.

Reimer's Manager's Report included: attended Lake Andrew Lake Association meeting; 9 Lakeshore site visits; working on surveying and development of projects on Kandi Creek; attended Managers meeting in St Cloud; working on WCA applications and spot checks; 3 windbreak site visits; attended Wakanda

meeting; attended Willmar Lakes meeting; working on cost share spot checks; attended County meeting about budget; writing policy handbook; attending AIS meeting; attended local workgroup meeting in St Cloud; worked booth at County Fair; met landowner on rain garden project; attending Chippewa Legacy workshop meeting in Montevideo; and attending Chippewa Legacy Workshop on Sept 11th.

Peterson's District Report included: working on RIM site inspections; discussed violation he found on inspections; completed Otteson/Blank project; will be starting 3 more construction projects; training staff on design and surveying; did plant id training with staff at high school rain garden; and shared report of seeding expenses.

Motion by Hanson, second by Dilley for chairman to sign corrective action violation. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Dittes's District Report included: attended Conservation Planning Course; attended staff training; attended buffer training; attended Ag Drainage Demo in Lamberton; will bring display to Prairie Pothole Day; sending buffer postcards; field visits and compliance checks; and working on writing compliance plan that is due November 1st.

Laumer's District Report included: received draft copy of audit from Peterson Company and made 1 adjusting entry; attended BWSR staff training; met with MCIT representative and discussed 10 Essentials of Risk Management; updated board minutes on website so signed copy is on website; completed 2017 Capacity grants reconciliation and made corrections; health insurance rates will be going up 6.1%; reminder from MASWCD about election year for President and Vice President; shared report on tree sales for 2018; will be receiving MCIT dividend for \$1,921; and Area 2 meeting will be Sept 19 in Albany.

Ostendorf's BWSR report included: discussed non-compliance letter; recap of staff training; and discussed BWSR will help with strategic planning.

Ostendorf let the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Dickman and Merten entered the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

Dickman's NRCS Report included: will be starting EQIP Ag Waste stack slab project in couple of weeks; have 19 general CSP contracts signed and working on 21 CSP renewals; wetland/compliance are caught up to May; discussed ACEP restoration projects will be completed this fall; all staff need to update Ecological JAA into electronic form; Reimer will have to work with Craig to obtain additional Engineering JAA; and asked for feedback on rainfall simulator at fair.

Merten's report included: CRP sign up is closed and 110 contracts need to be written by September 7th.

Dickman and Merten left the meeting at 11:47 a.m.

Staff meeting will be September 5th at 8:00 a.m. and Hanson will attend the meeting.

Motion by Hanson, second by Schaefer to approve the North Fork Crow River Water Implement Partnership Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement for 1W1P. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Dilley, second by Schaefer to approve letter of support for Stearns SWCD to apply for 2019 Accelerating Implementation grant for Nutrient Management Planning Deficiency in the WCTSA. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson, second by Schaefer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Terry Schaefer 9-18-18
Terry Schaefer, Secretary Date