



**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 Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

Vice Chairman Youngkrantz called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.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, Rick Reimer, District Manager, Laura Newberg, Pheasants Forever FarmBill Biologist, Tara Ostendorf, BWSR Board Conservationist, Brad Nichols, Health Insurance Agent, and Jeremy Rademacher, Landowner.

Vice Chairman Youngkrantz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vouchers were prepared.

Secretary's Report was presented. Motion by Hanson, second by Dilley to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on October 9, 2018. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Chairman Smith entered the meeting at 2:38 p.m.

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.

Brad Nichols, Health Insurance Agent report included: introduced himself; discussed alternative BCBS plan with \$1,350/\$2700 deductible with HSA account; and discussed some advantages for high deductible plan is saving on premiums and don't pay taxes on money going into HSA accounts.

Brad Nichols left the meeting at 3:23 p.m.

Motion by Hanson, second by Youngkrantz to approve the BCBS Alternative plan with \$1350/2700 deductible and District will contribute \$75 a month into HSA accounts for employees on the policy. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Laumer handed out NRCS report for the board to review.

Newberg entered the meeting at 3:27 pm.

Newberg's report included next year will have 170 CRP contracts expiring and about 3500 acres and Walk in Access (WIA) next year might only take renewals and not open to new contracts.

Ostendorf's BWSR report included: finalized noncompliance and discussed our penalty options; discussed problems with Kandi Creek match and gave scenarios to resolve problem; discussed 1W1P status and workplan; and discussed WCA spot check review.

Ostendorf, Laumer, and Dittes left the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

Rademacher entered the meeting at 4:02 p.m. to discuss his windbreak project.

Rademacher left the meeting at 4:22 p.m. and Laumer and Dittes came back to the meeting.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Schaefer to approve buffer cost share contract BC 48FY18 Doug Peterson in the amount of \$667.50. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Dilley, second by Schaefer to amend buffer cost share contract BC 4FY18 Bernard Anderson from \$300 flat rate to \$150 rate per acre. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Schaefer to cancel cost share contract KC 2FY16 Travis Bonnema in the amount of \$32,296. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Dilley, second by Hanson to amend contract KC3FY16 Croonquist project. The project will be expanded, and cost of project will be increased to \$40,260 and the landowner/renter will pay 25% of the expansion of the project in the amount of \$5,197.50. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative was Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Schaefer to approve Monitoring Plan for Buffer Compliance Tracking and Buffer Compliant From. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Dittes's staff report included: presentation at BWSR Academy went well; attended County Commissioner meeting on Nov 6th; working on staking buffers and buffer cost share; and no waivers for buffers.

Dittes left the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Motion by Hanson, second by Schaefer to take penalty for noncompliance issues off 2019 SWCD Capacity Grant. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Schaefer, Smith, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on changing the meeting date to the Third Tuesday of the month at 2:30 p.m. There is a scheduling conflict with the Convention next month, so the next meeting will be on December 18 at 2:00 p.m. Changing the meeting date will be discussed at the next meeting. Laumer will invite the

Legislature's and County Commissioners to Luncheon at Oaks with point presentation before next board meeting.

Discussion was held on the MASWCD Convention which included: Dilley, Hanson and Youngkrantz would be attending; Hanson will donate Toy tractor for Silent Auction item and we will find something to go with it; and Outstanding Conservationist will not be able to attend the luncheon.

Reimer's Managers Report included: attended BWSR Academy; 6 shoreline visits with DNR; WCA TEP Panel Review for Highway 40; working on 7 WCA applications and 4 violations; have WCA field review on 11/14/18; working on Slinden project with NRCS; Molenaar project is complete and working on as builds with NRCS; presented soils class at PWELC; attended 1W1P meeting for Hawk Creek and North Fork of the Crow; staking and preconstruction meeting for Kandi Creek project; working on rock chute for Kandi Creek project; attended Bonanza Valley meeting; 8 windbreak field visits; attended SRF meeting; attended staff meeting; and working on Deed Restrictions for shoreline document.

Discussion was held on having supervisors attending staff meetings and the decision was made that supervisors will not attend the meetings but must receive copy of minutes.

Laumer's staff report included: copy of staff meeting minutes; handed out 2017 Grant Reconciliation Checklist; attended BWSR Academy ; discussed BWSR 2018 pilot program that if SWCD is required to get an audit that year they don't have to complete financial statements; worked on policy handbook with Youngkrantz; will make corrections on policy book and approve at the next month; will get gift cards for rain gauge monitors; will set date for personnel reviews next month; and attended Envirothon meeting and may have to find a different location for Area Envirothon and topic this year is "MN Agriculture and Environment, Knowledge & Technology to Feed the World".

Discussion was held on the Newsletter which included: proof was emailed to supervisors and they will let us know of any changes and should be sent out by the end of the month.

Motion by Hanson, second by Youngkrantz to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Terry Schaefer 12-18-18
Terry Schaefer, Secretary Date