



#### NRCS Computer Update

The supervisors reviewed the correspondence from the NRCS Area 1 Conservationist, Glen Kajewski, regarding pending rental and computer agreement changes. See attachment to August 13th, 2009 agenda for correspondence.

#### NRCS Technician position vacancy

The board discussed the current vacancy in the NRCS office. There was a consensus from the board that it is important to fill the vacant soil conservation technician position as soon as possible. The board directed the staff to invite the Area Conservationist, Glen Kajewski, to the upcoming meeting. Topics of discussion would include space needs, rental agreement changes, computer seats, and the technician vacancy.

#### FY09 JPB Invoices

Trask presented invoices from the JPB for FY09. She notified the board that there would be one outstanding invoice for Frohreich's due to a possible NRCS contribution agreement. Additionally, Anderson's project fees have been paid in full but the JPB is only invoicing \$200 due to conflicts with the design that was drawn up. That additional amount would be due at a later date if a design was agreed upon.

A motion was made by Hansen, with a second by Sonstegard, to authorize payment of FY09 Invoices from the JPB Engineer. The invoices include: JD28 sidewater inlets, reconfiguration of spoil bank and culvert, \$500; Anderson lakeshore survey, \$200; Baade streambank survey and design, \$500; Holte lakeshore design, \$300.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Professional design for SWCD logo

A motion was made by Hansen, with a second by Sonstegard, to hire Sandpieper Designs to develop a professional logo using the current format.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Shirts and promo wear and SWCD letterhead format

The board tabled this topic until they could review the logo designs. The consensus was to use the new logo on any letterhead and promo gear developed for the office.

#### FY03-02 cost share project potential cost share recovery

Trask informed the board that riprap installed under a FY03-02 cost share project may be altered in order to install a boat ramp. Trask had reviewed the financial information and spoken with the Board Conservationist regarding cost recovery. The majority of the funding for the project came from local Water Plan funds. Trask had also talked with the new owner and he was agreeable to mitigating for the alterations by planting trees or installing a buffer. The per linear foot cost share received for the project was \$29.00, and the area of impact would be around 10 linear feet. The board directed the staff to work with the landowner to come up with an agreeable mitigation plan which would be equivalent to the impacts. This plan would be presented at the next board meeting.

#### Scheirer cost share contract cancellation

The board reviewed the letter from Lisa Scheirer (see attachment to agenda) where she stated that she wished to cancel her contract due to complications with funding and the site accessibility. A motion was made by Hansen, with a second by Sonstegard, to cancel the contract and reencumber all funds from Scheirer's FY09-02 cost share contract.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Huerd abandoned well sealing final payment

A motion was made by Sonstegard, with a second by Hansen, to approve final payment for Huerd's FY09-06WP well sealing project in the amount of \$262.50, which is 75% of the total practice cost of \$350. The remainder of the project funds will be reencumbered into the FY09 well sealing cost share funds.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Lightly abandoned well sealing final payment

A motion was made by Sonstegard, with a second by Hansen, to approve final payment for Lightly's FY09-04WP well sealing project for the maximum payment amount of \$300.00. Total practice cost was \$550.00.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Review draft 2010 budget

The board received the draft budget for review. No action was taken.

#### Application for donation, \$500 for River Watch Program

The board reviewed a request for donation from the River Watch Program coordinator. A motion was made by Sonstegard, with a second by Hansen, to donate \$500 to the Lake of the Woods River Watch Program for the 2009-2010 school year.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Amend Donation Request Application

A motion was made by Hansen, with a second by Sonstegard, to amend the Donation Request Application originally adopted January 8th, 2009. A line will be added to the application form to include the dollar amount being requested or a description of the service or item being requested.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Annual well testing clinic

A motion was made by Sonstegard, with a second by Hansen, to hold the annual well testing clinic. The SWCD will pick up 1/2 of the cost of each individual test, not to exceed \$600 for tests. This is an increase of \$100 from 2008. Staff will determine a date to hold the clinic and will advertise accordingly. The program will be formatted the

same as it was in 2008.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### AgBMP Loan Application for Matthias

Trask informed the board that Virginia Matthias had made application for AgBMP loan funds for a septic system upgrade. There were funds available, so Trask pre-approved the application and notified the Land and Water Planning Staff for permits.

A motion was made by Hansen, with a second by Sonstegard, to approve the AgBMP loan application for Matthias in the amount of \$6,000.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### County Fair and Potato Day events

The consensus of the board was to have an unmanned display at the County Fair. The SWCD would raffle off up to two bundles of trees. No action was taken on having a booth at Potato Days.

#### MASWCD District Capacity Award

The board reviewed and commented on the District Capacity Award.

#### MASWCD Outstanding Conservationist Award

The board nominated Border State Bank of Baudette as the Outstanding Conservationist for 2009.

#### BWSR FY10 General Services/Cost Share grant agreement

The board reviewed the FY10 grant agreement. A motion was made by Hansen, with a second by Sonstegard, to enter into the FY10 grant agreement with BWSR for cost share and general services.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Manure testing reimbursement

A motion was made by Sonstegard, with a second by Hansen, to approve reimbursement for Boyd Larson in the amount of \$35 for the manure testing program.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Registrations for the Area VIII tour

A motion was made by Hansen, with a second by Sonstegard, to approve expenses for staff and supervisors who wish to attend the Area VIII tour in Clearwater.

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

#### Giziibii Grazing Tour in LOW County

Hirst notified the board that due to summer workload, no grazing tour would be held in 2009. Voigt would be pursuing a grazing tour with the Giziibii RC&D in 2010.

#### Recap of special board meeting with County Board

The board decided to table this topic until the September meeting.

Recap of Bostic/Zippel Comprehensive Watershed Assessment Project Meeting

Hirst noted that 50 people attended the special meeting and that public comments from the meeting could be found on the SWCD website.

Water Plan Update

Hirst notified the board that the updated Water Plan could be found on the SWCD website.

Open Meeting Law and Noticing

The board reviewed the information regarding open meeting laws and noticing. See the attachment to the agenda for the publication.

DNR Waters Permit Applications #2010-0068 and amended #1997-1019

The board reviewed both the permit application and the amendment. No comment was made for or against the projects.

Recent Leadership Training Graduate Reports

Hirst notified the board that the MASWCD Leadership training had come to a close.

IJC Tour

An upcoming IJC tour will be held on August 26th.

**Reports**

Josh Stromlund - Land and Water Planning Director

See attachment to agenda.

Mike Hirst - Resource Technician

See attachment to agenda.

Corryn Trask - Resource Technician

See attachment to agenda.

Ashley Grundtner- Water Monitoring Intern

See attachment to agenda.

**The next regular Board meeting has been set for September 17th, 2009 at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room of the Federal Building in Baudette, Minnesota.**

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn: Hansen Second: Sonstegard

Affirmative: Hansen, Sonstegard, Krause                      Opposed: None

Motion carried.

**Meeting was declared adjourned at 9:10 p.m.**

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_