

DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES

Monday, August 11, 2014 – 8:00 P.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday, August 11, 2014. Chairman Thoennes called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Rutten, Schneider, Thoennes and Wolf. Also in attendance were: Haggemiller, Dybdal and Arceneau.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular July 14, 2014, meeting was discussed. Motion by Wolf to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Barsness. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read. Motion by Wolf to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

Reports

- A. Coordinator's Report** – Haggemiller handed out his monthly report.
- B. Pomme De Terre Watershed Project**- Barsness reported Brent was given a \$1 per hour raise for doing an excellent job. Brent also gave a status report on all the grants.
- C. County Commissioner Report** – No report was given.

Old Business

- A. 60 Year Anniversary** – Open House is scheduled for August 20th from 1-4.
- B. MASWCD Awards**–Haggemiller reviewed the following Candidates for the 2014 Conservation Cooperator: Newton Earl, Roger Chilian, Andy Siira and Steve Schiltgren. Motion by Barsness to nominate Roger Chilian for the award, Seconded by Wolf. Motion Carried.
- C. Douglas County Health Insurance** – Haggemiller handed out a few quotes for Health Insurance. The insurance broker is working on a few more quotes that Haggemiller will bring to the next meeting. Wolf made a motion to have Haggemiller contact MASWCD to see if a group policy could be established. Seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

New Business

- A. Field Office Update**–Dybdal reported they have four drainage requests requiring wetland determination; two CSP applications; Regional Office review was completed; two Easement WRP; new Soil Conservationist, Casey Guether will start September 8th.
- B. MASWCD Supervisor's Training** - Scheduled for September 10-11 in Brainerd.
- C. MCIT Dividend Notice** - \$1874 Yearly Dividend.
- D. Fair Booth Schedule** – Haggemiller passed out the fair schedule.
- E. Sauk River Watershed District** –Tour–8-13-14
- F. Area II Meeting** – Scheduled for September 3 in Sauk Centre.

- G. **2015 Budget** – Haggemiller submitted the 2015 budget to the County Commissioners.
- H. **2014 Low Income Septic System Applications** – Bonita Wagner-Millerville Twp. - \$7,500. Barsness made a motion to approve Wagner’s Septic System Application, Schneider Seconded it. Motion Carried.
- I. **2014 Low Income Septic C/S Payment**–Robert Wagner Millerville Twp. C/S Flat Rate \$7,500. Barsness made a motion to approve Wagner’s Septic System C/S Payment, Schneider Seconded it. Motion Carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of August, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #7384-7415 for a total of \$30,930.98 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Wolf to pay the bills, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried.

Adjournment. Motion by Rutten to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.

Secretary,

Jon Schneider, Secretary