

DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES

Monday, March 09, 2015 – 4:00 P.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday, March 09, 2015. Chairman Thoennes called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Rutten, Schneider, Thoennes and Wolf attended thru Face-Time. Also in attendance were: Commissioner Johnson, Haggemiller and Arceneau.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular February 15, 2015, meeting was discussed. Motion by Barsness to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

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

Reports

- A. Pomme De Terre Update** – Barsness reviewed Jared House's one year evaluation, Health Insurance and a grant opportunity thru the Board of Water and Soil Resources that will help inventory riparian buffers. Barsness also reviewed the 2015 Septic System signup and a two day (Watershed Academy) workshop for area teachers.
- B. Coordinator's Report** – Haggemiller handed out his monthly report.
- C. Douglas County Commissioner Report**- Commissioner Johnson gave a status report on a letter of violation that was sent. Johnson will keep the Supervisor's informed.
- D. Water Plan Update:** Steve Henry reported he met with the Storm Water Committee to discuss reducing phosphorus in our District, STEAM EXPO is scheduled for March 26th. Henry has presented to the local schools for Stewardship Week. This year's topic was Local Hero's Your Hard Working Pollinators.

Old Business

- A. Annual Plan of Work Update**–Motion by Schneider to approve the 2015 Annual Plan of Work, seconded by Barsness. Motion Carried.
- B. Annual Report**– Motion by Barsness to approve the 2014 Annual Report, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.
- C. Area II Meeting** – Scheduled for March 11, 2015

New Business

- A. 2014 Joint Employer Self Insurance Pool Member** – Motion by Rutten to pay the \$572.60 Transitional Reinsurance Fee, seconded by Wolf. Motion Carried.

B. 2014 Well Sealing Cost Share Payments–

1. Marilyn Olson Total Cost \$975.00 Cost Share 50% \$487.50- Motion by Barsness to pay \$487.50 for Marilyn Olson, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.
2. Mark Lee Total Cost \$335.00 Cost Share 50% \$167.50 Motion by Barsness to pay \$167.50 for Mark Lee, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.
3. Lake Geneva Christian Center Total Cost \$335.00 Cost Share 50% 167.50 Motion by Schneider to pay \$167.50 for Lake Geneva Christian Center, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

C. 2014 Well Sealing Cost Share Applications.

1. Tim Arsvold Cost Estimate \$1,000 Cost Share 50% \$500
 2. Rosemary Williams Cost Estimate \$1,000 Cost Share 50% \$500
 3. Steve Wirth Cost Estimate \$1,000 Cost Share 50% \$500
- Motion by Barsness to approve Arsvold, Williams, and Wirth Cost Share Applications, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

D. FY2014 Septic Update Amendment

1. Robert Keesling Amend to add \$390.00 of FY2015 Fund to bring total Cost Share to \$6,000. Motion by Rutten to amend Keesling application, seconded by Barsness. Motion Carried.

E. FY2015 Septic Update

1. Stanley Lund Sec 24 Lund Twp. Cost Share Flat Rate 6,000.00 Motion by Barsness to approve Lund Application, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

F. Drill Manager Position–to advertise for \$10.50 per hour.

G. Tree Planters Position- to advertise for \$10 per hour with a \$1 an hour incentive at the end of season.

Bills to Pay. During the month of March, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #7619-7680 for a total of \$35,671.49 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Barsness to pay the bills, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

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

Secretary,

Jon Schneider, Secretary