

DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES

Monday, August 10, 2015 –8:00 P.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday, August 10, 2015. 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: Commissioner Johnson, Pete Waller – BWSR, Dybdal, Haggenmiller, Henry, and Arceneau.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular July 13, 2015, meeting was discussed. Motion by Barsness to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.

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

Pete Waller, Board of Water and Soil Resources gave the 2015 BWSR Legislative Summary Report. Waller went over the Soil and Water Conservation Districts responsibilities for the annually allocated \$100,000 to enhance compliance with riparian buffer or alternative practice requirements.

Reports

- A. **Coordinator's Report** – Haggenmiller handed out his monthly report. (See Attachment)
- B. **Douglas County Commissioner Report**- Commissioner Johnson reported it has been quiet again this month. Doing a Redetermination of Benefits on County Ditch 10, road construction this year has been going good and the courthouse constructions should be completed by the 1st of September.

Old Business

- A. **MASWCD-SWCD Governance 101**–Scheduled for September 16 & 17.
- B. **Fair Booth Lease Agreement.** Motion by Barsness to sign lease agreement, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.

New Business

- A. **Field Office Update**–Dybdal reported that they received five drainage requests requiring wetland determination, fourteen CRP applications will need to be reviewed. Continue to Monitor on WRP's, Construction has been busy with one Ag Waste System and one Sediment Control Ponds. USDA's lease has been extended two years.
- B. **Pomme De Terre – Contract for Service Agreement.** Motion by Barsness to sign Service Agreement, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

- C. FY2016 BWSR SWCD Program & Operations Grant Agreement. Motion by Barsness to sign Program and Operations Grant Agreement, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- D. Community Partners – Payment Steve Brown Total Project \$2,133.20 Cost Share 75% - Payment \$1599.90. Motion by Rutten to approve Brown's payment for \$1,599.90, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried.
- E. FY2014 Low Income Septic Update Payments-Robert Keesling-Cost Share Flat Rate \$6,000 Motion by Rutten to approve Keesling payment for \$6,000.00, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried. Stanley Lund- Cost Share Flat Rate \$6,000 Motion by Barsness to approve Lund's payment for \$6,000.00, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- F. FY14 Well Sealing Cost Share Applications – Total cost per well \$1,000.00 C/S 50% or \$500.00. Motion by Rutten to approve Dan Sandell, Julie Baven, Greg Brown, Gordy Larson applications, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried
- G. Proposed 2016 Budget – Haggemiller will present to Douglas County Commissioners on August 18th.
- H. 2015 Conservation Cooperator: The following candidates were discussed: Newton Earl, Steve Schiltgen and Smokey Timbers. Motion by Barsness to nominate Steve Schiltgen, seconded by Schneider. Motion Carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of July the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #7789-7825 for a total of \$42,642.68 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Wolf to pay the bills, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried.

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

Secretary,

Jon Schneider, Secretary