

# DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## MINUTES

Monday, September 14, 2015 –8:00 P.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday, September 14, 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, Haggemiller, Henry, and Arceneau.

### Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular August 10, 2015, meeting was discussed. Motion by Wolf to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

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

### Reports

- A. **Coordinator's Report** – Haggemiller handed out his monthly report. (See Attachment)
- B. **Pomme De Terre** – Barsness reported on the meeting he attended on August 14, 2015. They reviewed the bills, budget and grants. The next meeting is scheduled for October 9<sup>th</sup>.
- C. **Douglas County Commissioner Report**- Commissioner Johnson reported it has been quiet again this month. Hospital is looking into a 5013C status, preliminary budget is with a zero increase for 2016, still negotiating contracts, possible bike trail by Rhunestone Park.
- D. **Water Plan Report** – Henry reviewed the dollars available for tracking grants. Henry informed the board that due to a busy work load at home he will be resigning in April 2016. The board discussed with Henry recent DCLA meeting and action by Henry at the meeting. The Board reminded Henry that he is representing the SWCD and to act professional in the future.

### Old Business

- A. **Area II meeting** –Scheduled for September 23 in Sauk Centre.
- B. **Budget Meeting with Commissioners** – Scheduled for September 15.

### New Business

- A. **Field Office Update**–No report was given.
- B. **BWSR Academy.** Motion by Barsness to register Arceneau and Henry, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- C. **Farm Bill Assistance Agreement & MOU.** Motion by Schneider to sign the Farm Bill Assistance Agreement & MOU, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- D. **Buffer Position** – Haggemiller will put together a job description and notification to review at the next meeting.

- E. Buffer/Ag Water Quality Certificate Grant - Motion by Rutten to approve and sign the Buffer/Ag Water Quality Certificate Grant, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- F. Haggenmiller HAS - Motion by Barsness to pay Haggenmiller balance of HSA, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- G. Pomme De Terre Cost Share Application - Motion by Wolf to approve Reid Anderson application for \$5,625, seconded by Barsness. Motion carried.
- H. Community Partners – FY-13 - Motion by Barsness to approve Rod Froemming Sed Blk's Leaf Valley Twp 33 Total Cost \$16,100.00 Cost Share \$1,698.00 Community Partners and \$3,422.00 FY14 Cost Share, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried.
- I. FY14 Regular Cost Share Application - Motion by Barsness to approve Les Anderson Sed Blk's Ida Twp. Sec 20 Total Cost Share \$16,225.00 Cost Share 75% \$7,095.75, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried. Motion by Barsness to approve Billy Dropick Critical Area Stabilization Total Cost Share \$6,000.00 Cost Share 75% \$4,500.00, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- J. FY14 Well Sealing Cost Share Applications – Total cost per well \$1,000.00 C/S 50% or \$500.00. Motion by Barsness to approve Sandy Tubbs and Richard Lukanen applications, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried
- K. Well Sealing Payments – Motion by Wolf to pay \$182.50 for Bruce Thorson well sealing, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried. Also a Motion by Wolf to pay \$182.50 for Kim Berglin well sealing, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried

**Bills to Pay.** During the month of August the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #7826--7854 for a total of \$35,487.29 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Barsness to pay the bills, seconded by Schneider. Motion carried.

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

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Jon Schneider, Secretary