

**Minutes of the Meeting of
Kittson Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors
Held on April 8th, 2010**

The Board of Supervisors of the Kittson Soil & Water Conservation District held its regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, April 8th, 2010, at the Lakeside Sporting Goods located in Lake Bronson, Minnesota.

Members present at the meeting included Vice Chairman, Greg Peterson; Secretary, Justin Dagen; Treasurer, Joe Wilebski; and Public Relations, Ron Anderson. Absent: Chairman, Scott Klein.

Others present at the meeting were District Manager, Darren Carlson; District Coordinator, Joanne Quiner; Program Coordinator, Shane Olson; Program Analyst, James Schwab and Technician, Mark Larson.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Peterson.

The minutes of the March 11th, 2010, meeting was approved, upon a motion by Dagen, seconded by Wilebski, and unanimous vote of the supervisors.

Upon a motion by Dagen, seconded by Anderson and unanimous vote the treasurer's report was approved as presented by Quiner. Upon a motion by Dagen, seconded by Anderson, and unanimous vote, for check #2719 through #2748 for the amount of \$13,671.40 for the month of March was approved as presented by Quiner.

Accounts receivable: Quiner reported that there are no accounts receivable for 2009.

Joanne Quiner gave the District Coordinator's report as follows:

Survey pricing: Quiner discussed pricing for survey work. Carlson said Ryan Schwenzfeier stopped in and would like the SWCD to do survey work on a DNR protected waters before and after a cleanout. DNR Waters needs this survey to make sure only the accumulated sediment and vegetation are removed. The current price for us to do survey work is \$3.50 per hundred feet. The project is between 3,000 to 4,000 feet and will take a few days. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Dagen and unanimous vote to charge at a rate per hour to recoup salary of employees working on survey.

Arbor Day: Quiner said we will again be attending county elementary schools dispersing Arbor Day trees.

Available Funds: The balances listed below are as of March 31st, unless otherwise noted: LWMP, \$15,921 County, (\$268.67) SWCD; CLWP Dedicated Fund \$44,160; WCA, \$18,737 County, (\$272.48) SWCD; Shoreland, \$1,516 County, \$525.59 SWCD; Feedlot, \$7,500 County, \$1,598.88 SWCD; SSTS, \$0 County, (\$240) SWCD; and Beaver \$5,000.

Darren Carlson gave the District Manager's report as follows:

Area I meeting: Peterson, Carlson and Olson attended the Area I meeting in Ada on March 18th.

RIM: Carlson attended RIM training on March 24th in Mahanomen.

Administrators Meeting: Carlson attended the Courthouse Administrator's meeting on April 1st.

Side Water Inlet Structures Article: Gail Norland from Kittson Enterprise called and was curious to see if we wanted to submit an article for the Going Green column. A Side Water Inlet Article which ran in last week's paper.

County Local Water Plan (CLWP): Carlson will travel to Bemidji on April 14th, to meet with the BWSR Water Planning Commission. A PowerPoint presentation will give a brief description of what the Kittson County Local Water Plan represents. If BWSR approves, then the county adopts the plan within 120 days and forward a copy of the adoption to the BWSR Grants Specialist.

Subsurface Sewer Treatment Systems (SSTS): Carlson said we will receive \$9,931 from the Natural Resources Block Grant for SSTS for 2010. He will meet with the County Commissioners on April 20th for them to sign paperwork.

KCC Science Fair: Carlson was a judge for Kittson County Central's Science Fair on April 7th.

Kittson SWCD Logo: Carlson passed around some SWCD logo designs from other Districts.

James Schwab gave the NRCS Program Analyst's report as follows:

SWCD/NRCS Contribution Agreement: Carlson will check 16 EQIP contracts for No Till Residue Management and be reimbursed \$904.55.

GPS training: Larson, Schwab and Carlson will attend GPS training at the Area office in April.

Shane Olson gave the Program Coordinator's report as follows:

Staff meeting: Staff meetings were held on March 9th and April 6th.

AgBMP: The current application order is as follows: EL-10, SA-10, WM-10 and DMC-10 all through Ag Country Farm Credit Services. Motion by Dagen, seconded by Anderson to fund DMC-10 and WM-10's AgBMP applications.

NACDE Winter Retreat: Olson attended the NACDE retreat on March 22-23rd at Thumper Pond Ottertail.

RIM: Olson sent mapping of each of the RIM easements to Tim Fredbo of BWSR. Deeds are currently being mailed back and forth to BWSR with landowner signatures on them.

State Cost Share: Olson presented well sealing estimates for FY09-09 for \$350, FY09-10 for \$350 and FY09-11 for \$550. Upon a motion by Dagen, seconded by Wilebski and unanimous vote to encumber FY09-09 for \$175 from state cost share and \$82.50 from CLWP; FY09-10 for \$225 for state cost share and \$112.50 from CLWP; and FY09-11 for \$175 from state cost share and \$82.50 from CLWP. Pelan Well Construction will also be doing some estimates for FY09-12 for 5 well sealings in Northcote.

CAI: Olson attended a CAI area meeting on March 31st at Mahnomen.

Envirothon: Olson has received \$1225 in donations thus far this year from businesses and organizations. Thank you to Dagen for the potato chips. He said the final planning meeting on April 21st at Agassiz Refuge (ANWAR). The event is April 28th at ANWAR.

WCA Violations: Kittson County has received the restoration order from DNR for County Ditch 23. Nothing on the restoration orders

from CO Ben Huener for the Johnson violation. Huener also reported another violation in Percy 15.

WCA training: Olson will be attending a WCA training on April 14th at Mahnomen.

Trees: Olson has ordered 8,000 so far this year and will possibly be 10 planting sites. He said he will be traveling out to Towner Nursery to pick up the stock from there as they only ship by UPS, which is very expensive.

May Board meeting: The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 13th.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Vice Chairman Peterson.

Justin Dagen, Secretary