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

The Board of Supervisors of the Kittson Soil & Water Conservation District held its regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 8th, 2010, at the Kittson SWCD Office located in Hallock, Minnesota.

Members present at the meeting included Chairman, Scott Klein; Vice Chairman, Greg Peterson; Secretary, Justin Dagen; Treasurer, Joe Wilebski; and Public Relations, Ron Anderson. Absent: none.

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

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Peterson.

The minutes of the May 13th, 2010, meeting was approved, upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Peterson, and unanimous vote of the supervisors.

Vice Chairman Peterson turned the meeting over to Chairman Klein.

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 #2794 through #2825 for the amount of \$13,944.88 for the month of May 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:

Area I meeting: Olson said he will not be attending the Area I meeting scheduled for June 10th in Ada. Peterson said he will possibly attend.

Available Funds: The balances listed below are as of May 31st, unless otherwise noted: LWMP, \$5,921 County, \$6,428.27 SWCD; CLWP Dedicated Fund \$44,160; WCA, \$13,737 County, \$3,698.77 SWCD; Shoreland, \$1,516 County, \$465.59 SWCD; Feedlot, \$7,500 County, \$988.28 SWCD; SSTS, \$9,931 County, (\$240) SWCD; and Beaver \$3,440.

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

Audit: Carlson received one bid for an upcoming audit from James Maiser. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Dagen, and unanimous vote, to accept James Maiser's Audit bid for \$1,650.00.

County Local Water Plan (CLWP): Carlson attended an Administrator's meeting June 3rd.

County Local Water Plan (CLWP): Carlson said BWSR approved the Kittson County Water Plan on May 26th. As of now, the county has 120 days to adopt the plan and forward a copy of the adoption to the BWSR Grants Specialist, so he will be setting up a meeting date with the County Board.

Plotmaster: Carlson talked with a representative for Plotmaster, who said over 200 units have been sold throughout Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota within the past year. He says it's very durable and he would be happy to do a conference call if need be, as a demonstration would be quite expensive.

Kittson SWCD Logo: Carlson passed around some SWCD logo designs for the Board to look over.

Contribution work agreements: The status Reviews are complete for EQIP No-Till. Carlson will work with Schwab to fulfill the Contribution Work Agreements.

DNR Ob-well agreements: Carlson presented the annual contract with the DNR for the Ob-well that is monitored. Upon a motion by Dagen, seconded by Peterson, to accept the 2011 DNR Ob-well agreement and was signed by Chairman Klein.

Kittson SWCD web link: Carlson reminded everyone that he keeps making updates to the Kittson SWCD web link on the Area I website.

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

CSP: Schwab mentioned that a mailing from the state was sent out about CSP. There have been 2 applications filled out so far.

AWEP: Schwab said the Red River Basin Board acquired some funding for Agricultural Water Enhancement Program (AWEP) and is hoping to fund some of the unfunded EQIP applications.

Plant materials tour: The annual Area I plant materials tour will take place August 3rd at Glacial Ridge near Mentor.

Chad Severts gave BWSR's report as follows:

Greenwood Cemetery: Severts said he was going to check into the language in the Greenwood Cemetery grant to see if we will be able to extend it due to the weather conditions. However, he did not think we would be able to and it's set to expire June 30th.

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

AgBMP: Olson said DMC Lundberg was previously approved, however he asked to put his application on hold. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Dagen to fund Erik Lindegard's AgBMP application for \$40,000. The current application order is as follows: Sevrin Anderson and Todd Sorenson through Ag Country Farm Credit Services.

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 cost share applications for FY09-12, FY09-13 and FY09-14. Upon a motion by Peterson, seconded by Wilebski, to encumber applications for Kathy Rynning FY09-12 for 3 well sealing's for \$1,400; John Koskela FY09-13 for 4 well sealing's for \$1775.00; and to encumber the remainder of funds Greenwood Cemetery FY09-14 for \$8,362.50. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Dagen, to make payment for FY09-10 for a well sealing for the city of Lancaster. The FY08-09 application still has Side Water Inlets to be installed. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Dagen, to make a partial payment for FY08-09 for a Field windbreak. The FY08-09 application still has Side Water Inlets to be installed.

Native Buffer funds: Olson has not received an application from TNC for the \$12,000 of Native Buffer Cost Share funds. If they don't submit an application before June 30th, we will have to send those funds back to BWSR according to Severts.

WCA TEP: Olson met with COE, Bill Best Rob Merilla and Anderson Brothers for wetland bank application technical evaluation panel (TEP). The COE wouldn't approve, so Merilla withdrew the application and is re-writing it due to recent changes in the formula for credits.

WCA Violations: Olson said nothing new with WCA violations.


MACFO: Olson will be attending a quarterly regional MACFO meeting in Detroit Lakes on June 23rd.

CAI: Olson said the General Weed Notices were recently published in the papers.

Staff meeting: Staff meetings were held on May 25th and June 1st.

July Board meeting: Wilebski mentioned he would be gone July 8th which is the next scheduled board meeting. Previously discussed was a possible Two Rivers tour of projects; however July 13th is the Joe River Tour. So the Board decided to hold the next board meeting on July 13th at Dean's Diner in Lancaster and those who want to take part in the Joe River tour are welcome to do so following the meeting.

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


Justin Dagen, Secretary