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Minutes of the Special Meeting of

Kittson Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors

Held on Friday, June 20, 2014 at 3:30 PM at the Nordhem Restaurant in Karlstad, MN.

The Board of Supervisors of the Kittson Soil & Water Conservation District held a special meeting on June 20th, 2014 at 3:30 PM at the Nordhem Restaurant in Karlstad, MN.

Members present at the meeting included: Secretary Justin Dagen; Treasurer, Joe Wilebski and Public Relations, Ron Anderson. Absent was Chairman, CJ Peterson; Vice Chairwoman, Heather Peterson.

Others present at the meeting were District Manager, Darren Carlson.

The Meeting was called to order by Secretary Dagen.

Brian Krippner's Resignation: District Manager Darren Carlson presented the SWCD Board with Brian Krippner's resignation. Brian's last day will be Friday July 4, 2014. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Anderson, and unanimous vote, Brian Krippner's resignation was accepted.

Brian Krippner's Severance Pay: Upon a motion by Anderson, seconded by Wilebski and unanimous vote to pay severance pay of annual and sick leave to Brian Krippner.

District Technician's Job Announcement & Job Description: District Manager Darren Carlson will advertise the District Technician's Position in the two county newspapers (North Star News and Kittson County Enterprise), Thief River Falls Northern Watch, Kittson SWCD Website and the MASWCD website. Advertising in the newspapers will be for two weeks, while the websites will display the job announcement and job description up to July 18, 2014. A closing date of July 18, 2014 was discussed and agreed upon by the Board.

State Cost Share Program: An amendment for James Faulconbridge (FY13-03) 2 well sealings was discussed. Bruce Gunderson of Pelan Well & Drilling recently suffered some health issues and will not be able to seal these wells. A new estimate was received from Jon Leader Well Drilling of Newfolden, MN. A bid of \$2,700 was estimated to seal the wells. A cost share assistance contract amendment was signed earlier in the day by Mr. James Faulconbridge. State Cost Share will pay 50% (\$1,350.00), Well Sealing – County Levy CLWP will pay 25% (\$675.00) and the landowner will

cover the remaining 25% (\$675.00). The board discussed looking for a licensed well sealer in Kittson County to help keep costs down and to help obtain competitive bids. District Manager Darren Carlson said he will look at area counties and into North Dakota to see if additional licensed well sealers will look at sealing Kittson County Landowners' wells. There are around 15 abandoned wells that landowners have shown interest in sealing. Upon a motion by Anderson, seconded by Wilebski and unanimous vote to approve Mr. Faulconbridge State Cost Share Contract Amendment.

With no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Justin Dagen, Secretary

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