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**Minutes of the Meeting of
Kittson Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors
Held on May 13th, 2010**

The Board of Supervisors of the Kittson Soil & Water Conservation District held its regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 13th, 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 and Keely Olson.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Klein.

The minutes of the April 8th, 2010, meeting was approved, upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Peterson, 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 #2749 through #2793 for the amount of \$16,470.39 for the month of April 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:

Arbor Day: Quiner said Larson, Carlson and her attended county elementary schools to disperse Arbor Day trees.

Available Funds: The balances listed below are as of April 30th, unless otherwise noted: LWMP, \$5,921 County, \$7,325.72 SWCD; CLWP Dedicated Fund \$44,160; WCA, \$13,737 County, \$3,818.77 SWCD; Shoreland, \$1,516 County, \$525.59 SWCD; Feedlot, \$7,500 County, \$988.28 SWCD; SSTS, \$9,931 County, (\$240) SWCD; and Beaver \$4,120.

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

County Local Water Plan (CLWP): Carlson traveled to Bemidji on April 14th, to meet with the BWSR Water Planning Commission. They approved the plan, so it will now go before the BWSR State Board on May 26th. Once they approve it, then the county has 120 days to adopt the plan and forward a copy of the adoption to the BWSR Grants Specialist.

Kittson SWCD Long Range Plan: The Kittson SWCD Long Range Plan expired on December 31, 2009. Carlson asked the Board to pass a resolution adopting the Kittson County Comprehensive Local Water Plan as the District's Long Range Plan, which needs to be updated on even numbered years. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Peterson, and unanimous vote, the Board passed a resolution adopting the Kittson County Comprehensive Local Water Plan as the District's Long Range Plan. The Long Range Plan will run from January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2014, as this will be the next date that the CLWP will be updated.

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

Plotmaster: Benton SWCD received a Plotmaster from an area Sportsmans Club. A Plotmaster can be used to seed foodplots. It costs between \$3,000 and \$4,000. Carlson also talked to Kelly Turgeon about a possible Food Plot Seed Distribution Program for the County through the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association.

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

319 Grant Proposal: The 319 Grant proposals are due May 21st and Carlson is talking with cooperating with the Two Rivers Watershed District.

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

Asian Pacific Islander month: Schwab mentioned that May is Asian Pacific Islander month.

GPS training: Larson, Schwab and Carlson attended GPS training at the Area office on April 22nd.

PL566: A meeting was held to update landowners for the Springbrook PL 566 project on May 4th in Karlstad.

Composter: NRCS mentioned a potential mailing to operators about a potential composter at MarKit landfill.

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

Staff meeting: Staff meetings were held on April 27th and May 11th.

AgBMP: Olson presented an AgBMP application for Lyndon Westerberg for an ISTS. Upon a motion by Wilebski, seconded by Dagen to fund Lyndon Westerberg's AgBMP application. The current application order is as follows: Erik Lindegard and Sevrin Anderson 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: Pelan Well Construction will also be doing some estimates for Kathy Rynning for 5 well sealings at the James J Hill Farm in Northcote and for 3 well sealings at the Audrey Nelson farm, which is being purchased by John Koskela.

Envirothon: Olson said the final planning meeting was held on April 21st at Agassiz Refuge (ANWAR) and the event took place on April 28th. Placing 1st this year was a team from Tri County, a team from Grygla placed 2nd and a team from Kittson Central placed 3rd. They will be attending the State Envirothon on May 17th at Deerwood, MN. Olson and Larson were presenters for the current events station and Carlson was a judge for presentations. Quiner took care of the food along with Amy Olson, who volunteered for the day through Polaris. Olson received \$1225 in donations this year from businesses and organizations. Thank you to Dagen for the potato chips.

WCA training: Olson attended a WCA training on April 14th at Mahnomen.

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 Gary Johnson's daughter who recently moved and left no forwarding address. Huener recently reported another violation in Percy 15 owned by Charles Ehlen and Jeremy Woinarowicz reported a violation on Donald Lund's property. Olson will be preparing restoration orders for DNR for them, but hasn't had a chance due to trees.

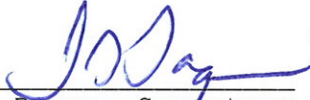
MACFO: Olson will be attending a quarterly regional MACFO meeting in Detroit Lakes on June 23rd.

Trees: Olson has ordered about 10,000 trees this year. He said he traveled out to Towner Nursery to pick up the stock from there as they only ship by UPS, which would have been over \$1,200. He said they have planted 4 sites and have 6 remaining.

Area I meeting: Olson said there is an Area I meeting scheduled for June 10th in Ada.

June Board meeting: The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 10th, however Carlson and Quiner will both be gone. The Board asked for the next meeting to be held on June 8th.

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


Justin Dagen, Secretary