

DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Monday, February 25, 2008

9:30 A.M.

Goodhue County SWCD Office

MINUTES

ATTENDED BY: Donald Banks, John Jaeger, Ed McNamara, Larry Thomforde, Paul Voxland, Jacob Ciula, Josh Finnesgard, Chris Fritz, Coty Hyllengren, Beau Kennedy, Glen Roberson, Chris Wagner, Thomas Steger

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Voxland. A quorum is present. Those present rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. AGENDA

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by Larry Thomforde to approve the Agenda as printed. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

III. CONSENT AGENDA

There were no Consent Agenda Items at this time.

IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

1. Approve January 8, 2008 District Special Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Donald Banks seconded by John Jaeger to approve the January 8, 2008 District Special Board Meeting Minutes as printed. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

2. Approve January 28, 2008 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by Larry Thomforde to approve the January 28, 2008 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes with the following corrections:

Under Action Item #10 – after Voting affirmative – Delete the name Banks and insert the name McNamara.

Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

V. ACTION ITEMS

1. Authorize Staff to Attend SEMACDE Annual Meeting

Motioned by John Jaeger seconded by Larry Thomforde authorizing the District Staff to attend the SEMACDE Annual meeting on March 11, 2008 in Stewartville, MN and pay the \$14.00 registration fee. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

2. Review and Approve Goodhue County SWCD Annual Plan

Those present reviewed and discussed the Goodhue County SWCD's 2008 Annual Plan of Work.

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by Larry Thomforde to approve the Goodhue County SWCD's 2008 Annual Plan of Work as printed. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

3. Approve Surface Water Assessment Resolution

Beau Kennedy discussed with the Board the Surface Water Assessment Monitoring Grant and Resolution.

Motioned by Donald Banks seconded by Ed McNamara to approve and sign the Surface Water Assessment Resolution. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

Tom Steger entered the meeting at 9:47 a.m.

Josh Finnesgard entered the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

4. Approve State Cost-Share Contract #5-2008, Gerald Nelson

Motioned by John Jaeger seconded by Ed McNamara to approve Gerald Nelson's State Cost-Share Contract #5-2008 for a Shelterbelt in the amount of \$335.00. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

5. Approve State Cost-Share Contract #6-2008, Jon Olson

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by Donald Banks to approve Jon Olson's State Cost-Share Contract #6-2008 for a waterway in the amount of \$860.00. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

6. Approve State Cost-Share Contract #7-2008, Mike Kennedy

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to approve Mike Kennedy's State Cost-Share Contract #7-2008 for a water and sediment control basin in the amount of \$3,000.00. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

7. Approve State Cost-Share Contract #8-2008, Syl Anderson

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to approve Syl Anderson's State Cost-Share Contract #8-2008 for a water and sediment control basin in the amount of \$2,050.00. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

8. Approve Amendment to Ag BMP Program, Additional \$109,026.00

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to approve the amendment to the Ag BMP Program for an additional \$109,026.00. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

9. Approve Minnesota Forest Stewardship Program Technical Assistance Proposal

Motioned by John Jaeger to approve and sign the Minnesota Forest Stewardship Program Technical Assistance Proposal. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

VI. REPORTS

1. Supervisor Activity Report

John Jaeger reported that he attended the CTAC meeting in St Cloud, MN on January 29, 2008 and the JPB meeting in Rochester, MN on January 30, 2008. He also attended the Wabasha Forestry Day on February 8, 2008.

Ed McNamara reported that he and Glen Roberson talked to the 4th Grade class in Goodhue, MN about trees on February 11, 2008. He also attended the Midwest Organic Workshop in LaCrosse, WI on February 21, 2008.

Donald Banks reported that he attended the Interviews for the Feedlot Technician on January 8, 2008 and the Cannon River Watershed meeting on January 7, 2008 and February 4, 2008.

2. NRCS Report

The NRCS Report was presented by Thomas Steger. (See attached for details)

3. District Manager's Report

The District Manager's Report was presented by Glen Roberson. Glen discussed with the Board the office postage meter, the upcoming Day at the Capitol and a Forum on Soil and Water Quality to be held at the Zumbrota library on February 26, 2008. He also discussed with the Board the CTAC meeting he attended in St Cloud, MN on February 20-21, 2008. Other items discussed included the District computer system and options for a tree cooler this year. No action was taken.

4. Staff Report: Beau Kennedy

Beau Kennedy presented a PowerPoint presentation to review with the Board projects he has been involved with during 2007. He also informed them of upcoming projects and events. No action was taken.

5. Other

There were no other reports at this time.

VII. TREASURER'S REPORT/PAYABLES

1. Approve January 2008 Financial Reports

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to approve the January 2008 Financial Reports as presented. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

2. Approve February 2008 Accounts Payable

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to approve the February 2008 Accounts Payable as presented. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to adjourn the meeting. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



John Jaeger
Secretary

ATTACH: NRCS Report