

DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Monday, October 27, 2008

7:30 P.M.

Goodhue County SWCD Office

ATTENDED BY: Donald Banks, John Jaeger, Ed McNamara, Larry Thomforde, Paul Voxland, Glen Roberson, Chris Wagner, Thomas Steger.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Voxland. A quorum is present. Those present stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. AGENDA

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

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Motioned by Donald Banks seconded by Ed McNamara to approve the following Consent Agenda item:

1. Approve Payment of State Cost Share Contract #12-2008 , Lyle Dicke, \$1771.35 From FY2008 funds.

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

IV. SECRETARY'S REPORT

1. Approve September 22, 2008 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Donald Banks seconded by Ed McNamara to approve the September 22, 2008 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes as printed. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

2. Approve October 2, 2008 District Woodland Manager Tour Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by Donald Banks to approve the October 2, 2008 District Woodland Manager Tour Meeting Minutes as printed. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

3. Approve October 22, 2008 District Conservation Tour meeting Minutes

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to approve the October 22, 2008 District Conservation Tour Meeting Minutes as printed. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to wave the Public Comment Period. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

VI. ACTION ITEMS

1. Approve State Cost-Share Application #17-2008, Allan Geyer, Grass Waterway

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger to approve Allan Geyer's State Cost-Share application #17-2008 in the amount of \$4560.73 from FY 2008 funds for a waterway. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

2. Cancel State Cost-Share Contract #9-2008, Eric Boie

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by Donald Banks to cancel Eric Boie's State Cost-Share Contract #9-2008 in the amount of \$1600.00. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

3. Approve and Authorize Chair to Sign Clean Water Legacy Grant Application to BWSR for Feedlot Water Quality Management Cost Share: Eric Pearson

Motioned by John Jaeger seconded by Larry Thomforde to approve and authorize Chairman to sign the Clean Water legacy Grant application to BWSR for Feedlot Water Quality Management Cost-Share: Eric Pearson when completed. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

4. Authorize Arrangements for MASWCD 2008 Convention

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by John Jaeger authorizing Supervisors and District Staff to attend the MASWCD 2008 Convention, December 7 – 9 in St Paul, MN and pay registration fees and expenses. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

5. Request Involvement in Mid-Winter Goodhue County Agricultural Expo

Motioned by Ed McNamara seconded by Donald Banks instructing the District Manager to contact the County in regards to the Goodhue SWCD becoming involved in the Mid Winter Goodhue County Agricultural Expo. Voting affirmative: Banks, Jaeger, McNamara, Thomforde, Voxland. Opposed: None. Motion passed.

VII. REPORTS

1. NRCS REPORT

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

2. District Manager's Report

The District Manager's Report was presented by Glen Roberson. Glen informed the Board that the Forest Stewardship Grant had been received and Chairman Voxland had signed the agreement as authorized at the September Board meeting. He also reviewed the Pay Equity Act report received and gave an update on the JPB CWL Feedlot Cost Share grant. No official action was taken.

3. Supervisor Activity Report

Donald Banks reported that he attended the 6th Grade Conservation Field Day on September 25th, the Cannon River Watershed Meeting on October 6th, the Woodland Manager tour on October 2nd and the Legislative Bus tour on October 22nd.

Larry Thomforde reported that he attended the Woodland Manager tour on October 2nd and the Legislative Bus tour on October 22nd.

Paul Voxland reported that he attended the Woodland Manager tour on October 2nd and the Legislative Bus tour on October 22nd.

Ed McNamara reported that he attended the Woodland Manager tour on October 2nd and the Legislative Bus tour on October 22nd.

John Jaeger reported that he attended the Woodland Manager tour on October 2nd, the JPB Prioritization Committee meeting on October 7th and the Legislative Bus tour on October 22nd.

Ed McNamara and John Jaeger reported that they had received letters from Westwood Environmental Profession Services in regards to the proposed turbine wind farm projects west of Goodhue. The letter requested their input on any unforeseen problems with the construction of the proposed wind turbines. Ed and John requested any guidance from the rest of the Board in regards to the request. Possible concerns discussed included, impacts to existing drainage tile during installation of roads and buried power lines, wetland impacts, construction site erosion problems, decommission of the site, and problems with the gravel roads which lead to the turbines. No official action was taken.

4. Other

There were no other reports at this time.

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT/PAYABLES

1. Approve September 2008 Financial Reports

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

2. Approve October 2008 Accounts Payable

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

IX. ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted



John Jaeger
Secretary

ATTACH: NRCS Report