



# Lincoln SWCD

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## LINCOLN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Minutes of the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District, Regular Meeting, USDA Building, Ivanhoe, MN, March 18, 2009.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Daniel Christianson, at 10:12 a.m.

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| <u>Members Present:</u>    | <u>District Staff Present:</u>     | <u>Others Present:</u>          |
| Daniel Christianson, Chair | Pauline VanOverbeke, Dist. Manager | Curt Blumeyer, Co. Commissioner |
| Conrad Schardin, Secretary | Terry Dybsetter, Education Coord.  |                                 |
| Glen Sorensen, Vice Chair  | Ron Madsen, Eng.Tech. @ 12:35      |                                 |
| John Boulton, PRI          | Dale Sterzinger, Cons. Tech.       |                                 |

Members Absent  
Joe Weber, Treasurer

AGENDA: An updated agenda was distributed.

MINUTES: The minutes from the February 18, 2009 meeting were approved as mailed.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Motion by Boulton, seconded by Sorensen to approve the Treasurer’s Report for February, 2009. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

BILLS: Motion by Boulton, seconded by Sorensen to approve the payment of the bills for \$19,844.38 (see attachment). Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS: Motion by Sorensen, seconded by Schardin to approve the transfers from Money Market Savings to the Checking Account: for payroll of \$18,000; and \$3,000 for bills. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

ACTUAL AND BUDGETED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT: VanOverbeke handed out the February, 2009 monthly and yearly actual and budgeted income and expenditure statement for review.

RC&D APPLICATION-LINCOLN SWCD FOR WOMENS AG DAY: Motion by Schardin, seconded by Sorensen to approve the RC&D application for the Lincoln SWCD for the Women’s Ag Day of \$450.00. The application will now be submitted to the RC&D council. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

WORKING LANDS INITIATIVE GRANT AGREEMENT: Motion by Boulton, seconded by Schardin to approve the WLI Grant Agreement, CFMS Contract #B26172 for \$200,000.00. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: MASWCD Bits of Tidbits distributed.

### REPORTS:

COUNTY COMMISSIONER’S REPORT: Curt Blumeyer, County Commissioner’s report follows:

- Road overlay project of 10.1 miles will be paid through the Stimulus Bill (MN DOT).
- Windows and air conditioning project is over budget by \$100,000.
- Developing Norwegian Creek park; 36 lots/septic system.

- AMC is brainstorming on how to regionalize/share services with other counties. Biggest area is Human Services.

DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT: Pauline VanOverbeke, District Manager’s report follows:

- FBA position; will be sharing w/Yellow Medicine until the next funding cycle; Kraus will go to Yellow Medicine on a need by need basis; reimbursing us per hour wage plus employer share.
- Had a request from a New York NRCS employee requesting to use some of our photos off of our web site. Gave permission; with acknowledgement to the District.
- Thank-you’s sent to Senator Kubly and Representative Falk for meeting with us.
- Davis copier contract has been increased by \$.01.
- LqP TMDL meeting was cancelled.
- Filed an Accident Report w/MCIT; fell on ice by post office.
- Resume from Nancy Beech; told her I would keep it on file.
- PRAP; Performance Review and Assistance Program will be preformed on the SWCD and County this year. Will be the full audit/review.
- Data Privacy Policy; working on the policy and will meet with a few other districts to complete the policy. Should be ready for approval at the May/June meeting.
- Upcoming meetings: Redwood-Cottonwood Brainstorming-March 31; SWPJPO-April 1; LqP-Yellow Medicine Brainstorming-April 6; LqP Team-April 7.
- In the process of updating the Water Plan.

Easement Technician’s Report:

- Reviewed the funding for the WLI \$’s; Conservation Plans and issues with Barber-Great River Easement.

District Conservationist’s Report:

- Freedom of Information Act-Johnson will report at the next meeting. NRCS will be in charge of the office space agreement when the current contract is up.

EDUCATION COORDINATOR’S REPORT: Terry Dybsetter, Education Coordinator, reported on the poster contest, soil stewardship material and will be presenting at the Lake Benton School to the 4-6 grade students on the poster contest material. Distributed the rain gauge information.

ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN’S REPORT: Ron Madsen, Engineering Technician’s reported on the Prescribed Burning workshop on April 17<sup>th</sup>; seed vendors; got the NTD from Clarkfield and priced some NTD hitches.

CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN’S REPORT: Dale Sterzinger, Conservation Technician’s report follows:

- Finishing tree plans; approximately 33,000 trees sold to date; interest in next years tree plans and cost-share for farmsteads.
- WCA: Attended the wetland delineators training and reviewed changes; 20 applications for WCA determinations so far this year; Advanced WCA Training on Thursday.
- Lake Hendricks Association wants information on programs available and to discuss Deer Park.

The next meeting of the Lincoln SWCD will be on Wednesday, April 15, at 7:00 a.m.

The meeting declared adjourned by the Chairman, Christianson, at 11:40 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
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