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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, January 20, 2010.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Daniel Christianson, at 10:15 a.m.

Members Present:

Daniel Christianson, Chair  
Glen Sorensen, Vice Chair  
Conrad Schardin, Secretary  
Joe Weber, Treasurer  
John Boulton, PR&I

District Staff Present:

Pauline VanOverbeke, Dist. Manager  
Dale Sterzinger, Cons.Tech and  
Ron Madsen, Eng.Tech. in/out  
various times during meeting  
Randy Kraus, Farm Bill Assist.@12:23

NRCS Staff Present:

Dennis Johnson, Dist.Cons.@12:23  
Others Present  
Curt Blumeyer, Co. Commissioner

AGENDA: An updated agenda was distributed.

Christianson turned the meeting over Madsen for Election of Officers.

Election of new officers: Call for nominations for the following offices for 2010:

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Nomination open for Chairman: Weber nominated Christianson as Chairman. Question asked three times for nominations. Motion by Schardin, seconded by Sorensen to move nominations cease and to cast a unanimous ballot. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Meeting was turned back over to the Chairman Christianson.

Motion by Schardin, seconded by Boulton to leave the remaining positions the same as 2009, and to move nominations cease and to cast a unanimous ballot. Positions are: Glen Sorensen for Vice-Chairman; Joe Weber for Secretary; Conrad Schardin for Treasurer; and John Boulton for PRI. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

APPOINTMENTS-COMMITTEES: Motion by Weber, seconded by Sorensen to leave the special board assignments as follows the same as 2009: RCRC: Glen Sorensen, delegate; Conrad Schardin, alternate; SWPTSA: Daniel Christianson, delegate; Glen Sorensen, alternate; RC&D: Daniel Christianson, delegate; Joe Weber, alternate; LqP Watershed-Clean Water Partnership Team; John Boulton, delegate; and the Yellow Medicine Watershed Advisory Committee; Glen Sorensen, delegate. Personnel Committee: Joe Weber and John Boulton. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL PAPER: Motion by Weber, seconded by Sorensen to designate the Ivanhoe Times as the official paper for 2010. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

DESIGNATION OF TAA FOR STATE C-S AND C-S RATE: Motion by Sorensen, seconded by Boulton to designate the following for the TAA for State C-S Projects: Sterzinger as the Technician for all tree projects and Madsen as the Technician for all other projects and to set the State C-S rate for 2010 at a rate not to exceed 75% cost-share. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

DESIGNATION OF BANKS: Motion by Schardin, seconded by Weber to designate the following banks for the Lincoln SWCD: Bank of the West, Ivanhoe-Checking Account and two-C.D.'s; First Security Bank,

Hendricks for the Money Market Savings Account. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: The minutes from the December 16, 2009 meeting, were approved as mailed.

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

BILLS: Motion by Sorensen, seconded by Weber to approve the payment of the bills for \$40,075.46 (see attachment) of which includes \$17,261.29 reimbursement to Redwood SWCD for 319 T&A dollars (wrong amount). Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

STATE COST-SHARE CONTRACT APPROVAL: Motion by Sorensen, seconded by Schardin to approve the State Cost-Share Contract for Tami Harris, FY09-09 for a tree project for \$2,261. Sterzinger is the Technician for the project. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Sterzinger left the meeting at 10:45

Boulton left the meeting @ 10:48 a.m.

STATE COST-SHARE PROJECT DISCUSSION; APPROVE AMENDMENT: The David Boulton State Cost-Share project request for additional funds was discussed. Motion by Weber, seconded by Schardin to amend the State Cost-Share contract #FY09-01 for David Boulton as follows: cost-share 50% on the one additional sediment control basin that was added after the original estimate on the project. Cost per basin - \$1,904 @ 50% cost-share to original contract with amendment of \$952. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Boulton returned to the meeting at 11:21 a.m.

Madsen left the meeting at 11:22 a.m.

STATE COST-SHARE PAYOUTS: Motion by Weber, seconded by Sorensen to make the following State C-S payments: FY08-06 for David Boulton for WSCB's for state cost-share payment of \$9,298; and FY09-01 for David Boulton for WSCB's for state cost-share payment of \$6,500 + \$952 for a total of \$7,452. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, and Weber. Opposed: None. Abstained: Boulton. Motion Carried.

FY08 STATE COST-SHARE CLOSEOUT: Motion by Boulton, seconded by Schardin to approve and have Weber sign the FY08 State Cost-Share Program year closeout. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

TRANSER C-S BACK TO DISTRICT: Motion by Boulton, seconded by Schardin to transfer the District C-S funds of \$1,227 back to the district funds. Original amount of \$1,800 was transferred to District C-S to help fund the State C-S Program with \$573 funds being used on a C-S project. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

SHAOKATAN SPORTSMEN'S CLUB COST-SHARE PAYMENT: Motion by Weber, seconded by Sorensen to approve the Shaokatan Sportsmen's Club Cost-Share Contract payment as follows: Dwight Buller for 2-WSCB's for Cost-Share of \$1,919 with the payment being made directly to the contractor. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

WORKING LANDS INITIATIVE PAYMENT: Motion by Boulton, seconded by Sorensen to approve the WLI Payments for Tom Barber #41-01-08-03 incentive payment for a total of \$36,765 and to have the staff make payment when the district receives the money. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS: Motion by Weber, seconded by Boulton to approve the following transfers from MMS to the checking account: \$17,000 for payroll and \$28,000. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

CD#857190-PURCHASES AND CD#857968-COMPENSATED ABSENCES: Motion by Sorensen, seconded by Boulton to transfer the CD#857190 for Purchases and #857968 for Compensated Absences to the MMS when they come due February 28<sup>th</sup>. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

DESIGNATED FUND BALANCES: Motion by Sorensen, seconded by Boulton to approve the increase in designated fund balances as follows: Capital Imp-\$6,859.02; Vehicles-\$5,000; Office Space-\$5,000; other fund balance changes reflect specific programs. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

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

PRAP FINAL REPORT: The final PRAP report was discussed with the changes being made by BWSR.

HOURS AND WORK SCHEDULES: Employee hours and work schedules were discussed.

2010 MONTHLY AND YEARLY BUDGET: Motion by Schardin, seconded by Sorensen to approve the 2010 Monthly and Yearly Budget as presented. Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

#### REPORTS:

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

- Rep. Andrew Falk will be at the community center in Ivanhoe on January 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Gillund is the Chair and Evers is Vice Chair.
- Is on the Arrmer Radio Committee – going in 2013.
- County will participate in a phosphorus study by putting \$10,000 towards the project through the Economic Development along with Brookings County, SD putting \$25,000 towards the project for Lake Hendricks with Joe Beech being in charge of the study.
- Skylight has to be replaced in the courthouse – Cost \$53,000
- Six inch strip on side of roads; 114 miles will be done this year.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT: Pauline VanOverbeke, District Manager's report is attached.

EDUCATION COORDINATOR'S REPORT: Terry Dybsetter, Education Coordinator's report is attached. Madsen, Sterzinger, Kraus, and Johnson present at this time.

ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN'S REPORT: Ron Madsen, Engineering Technician's report: Work on year-end reports; books; Payout of State C-S dollars on the Boulton project

CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN'S REPORT: Dale Sterzinger, Conservation Technician, reported on the following:

- No more accounts receivable-all paid up.
- Trees: working on tree plans; cost-share; mapping with CRP contracts; 2-living snow fences and 1 additional with MN-DOT; state cost-share tree plans-7 cost-share projects and 1 living snow fence.
- WCA-Reporting year-end.

FARM BILL ASSISTANT'S REPORT: Randy Kraus, Farm Bill Assistant reported: CRP-10 contracts approved with 259 acres; last year 1,527 acres in continuous CRP; WLI-working on new grant.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST'S REPORT: Dennis Johnson, District Conservationist, report:

- CSP Program-2 approved for funding in Lincoln County.
- EQIP-Signup is the month of February with the 1<sup>st</sup> ranking the end of February; not as much funds as in previous years.

CARRETTE PROJECT: Motion by Schardin, seconded by Weber to recommend for approval to the Lyon SWCD Board the Carrette Project for payment. . Affirmative: Christianson, Sorensen, Schardin, Weber and Boulton. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

OTHER REPORTS: Christianson reported on SWPTSA; reviewed projects with board.

The next meeting of the Lincoln SWCD will be on Wednesday, February 17, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. with those attending the Legislative Breifing/Day at the Capital leaving right after board meeting.

The meeting declared adjourned by the Chairman, Christianson, at 12:50 p.m.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE SIGNATURE