

**KOOCHICHING SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
COURTHOUSE BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM  
715 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET \* INTERNATIONAL FALLS \* MN \* 56649  
MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2009**

**Members Present:** Ralph Lewis; Wayne Meyers; Eldon Voigt, Bernie Uran, Al Linder  
**Members Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Pam Tomevi, District Coordinator; Justin Berg, District Technician; Krystina Meyers, Program Assistant; Kelly Voigt, District Conservationist (on phone); Kevin Adee, County Commissioner;

Chair Linder called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

**2009/6-1 Motion by Uran, seconded by Voigt to approve the agenda.**

**Voting yes:** Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.

**2009/6-2 Motion by Uran, seconded by Meyers to approve the minutes dated May 4, 2009 with corrections.**

**Voting yes:** Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.

**The Treasurer's Report ending April 30, 2009 was received as presented.**

**2009/6-3 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Lewis to approve for payment, Accounts Payable totaling \$5637.12.**

**Voting yes:** Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.

**REPORTS:**

**Supervisor Reports:**

- Supervisor Voigt reported on the tree team meeting and forestry meeting he attended this month. Discussion included a tour of the plant that creates custom hardwood flooring
- Supervisor Uran reported seeing wood ash trucks passing through Northome.
- Supervisor Linder reported that he attended the Laurentian RC&D meeting.

**District Coordinator Report:**

Discussion included news that Cloud Cartographics, the company currently under contract to do a plat book update, has gone out of business and legal action has begun to recover cash investments, tree sales report, audit request letters, district sign permits and supplies, vacation time, renewal of the Xerox copier contract, and requests by third parties for copies of land management plans and contract information. The District Coordinator expressed her appreciation to the county Information Systems (IS) Department for working with her to find a solution to the plat book issue.

**2009/6-4 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Voigt to require authorization from the landowner/contract recipient, either in person or in writing, prior to releasing copies of land management plans and/or contract information.**

**Voting yes:** Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.

**District Technician Report:**

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Discussion included Woodland Advisor GPS class at RRCC, tree program, Wood Ash permits, TAC meeting, wetland bank applications, WCA, and assistance to the Sentenced to Serve to put up District a highway sign. Further discussion included a recent request by the DNR for the District Technician to investigate a potential WCA violation prior to a Cease and Desist Order (CDO) being issued. The Board instructed the technician to wait until a Conservation Officer has issued a CDO before responding to a complaint.

**NRCS District Conservationist Report:**

The District Conservationist reported that 7 applicants from Koochiching have applied for EQIP practices, two for grazing, two for tree planting, and three for living snow fences.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The District Coordinator reported that the sun-setting resolution regarding supervisor election boundaries has become MASWCD policy which does not sunset so there is no longer a need to reintroduce the resolution.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**2009/6-5 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Lewis to award the 2008 audit bid to Jim Maiser in the amount of \$1650.00.**

**Voting yes: Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.**

**2009/6-6 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Voigt to approve the attendance of 3 supervisors and 2 staff members to attend the Area VIII meeting in Bemidji on June 12.**

**Voting yes: Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.**

**2009/6-7 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Lewis authorizing the District Technician to attend NE/NC Wetland Delineation training on June 30 in Bemidji.**

**Voting yes: Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.**

**2009/6-8 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Uran authorizing the District's continued participation as a member of the North Central Minnesota Joint Powers Board.**

**Voting yes: Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.**

**2009/6-9 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Uran to approve staff leave requests as follows:**

- **District Coordinator - June 15-19;**
- **Program Assistant - July 6-10.**

**Voting yes: Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.**

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Staff reported that the City of International Falls has completed the riprap installation under contract CS07-2 and should be presented for Board review and authorize for payment at the July meeting. General discussion included organic crop information, Big Falls well head protection, and MCIT's monthly bulletin.

**Confirm Next Meeting Date:**

The next regular meeting of the Koochiching SWCD will be held on Monday, July 6, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the courthouse basement conference room.

**Adjourn Meeting:**

**2009/6-10 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Uran to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm.  
Voting yes: Lewis, Meyers, Voigt, Uran and Linder. Motion carried.**

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Board Secretary Date

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Board Chairman