

**KOOCHICHING SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
COURTHOUSE BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM
715 4TH STREET * INTERNATIONAL FALLS * MN * 56649
MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2009**

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

Also Present: Pam Tomevi, Kelly Voigt, Kevin Adee, Kevin Daw, Roger Risley, Jim Dusek, Will Bomier

Chair Linder called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm

2009/10-1 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Uran to approve the agenda as presented.

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

2009/10-2 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Uran to approve the minutes dated September 8, 2009 as presented.

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

2009/10-3 Motion by Uran, seconded by Lewis to approve Treasurer's report for August 31, 2009.

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

2009/10-4 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Meyers to approve for payment, Accounts Payable totaling \$2294.19.

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

GUEST INTRODUCTIONS:

The Board welcomed USDA-NRCS Area 3 staff Kevin Daw, Roger Risley, Jim Dusek, and Will Bomier. Daw provided an update on the status of the soil survey office and Risley provided a report on the soil survey wrap-up and an overview of the web soil survey.

REPORTS:

Supervisor Reports:

Supervisor Meyers reported that he attended the Area VIII annual meeting and tour which he found very informative.

Supervisor Linder reported that he also attended the Area VIII annual meeting and tour as well as the Laurentian RC&D meeting where main discussion included the RECAP project and current project review.

Committee Reports:

The budget committee met to review projected revenues and expenditures for 2010.

District Coordinator Report:

The coordinator provided an oral activity report including an update on current certificates of deposit (CD) maturity dates and renewal rates.

2009/10-5 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Voigt to convert CD # 70001743 and CD # 70001744 into cash upon the maturity⁵⁴ date and deposit into the District's savings account.

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

District Technician Report:

Copy on file. Discussion included 2010 tree program and newsletter.

NRCS District Conservationist:

Discussion included CSP contracts totaling 11 for Koochiching County and 13 for Lake of the Woods County; applied practices in EQIP that have been certified.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cost-Share:

The technician provided information on potential cost-share projects and reported that the erosion control project for the City of International Falls was completed and will be presented for Board review at the November meeting.

MASWCD:

The Board reviewed and voted on 2009 MASWCD resolutions.

Upcoming Meetings and Training:

2009/10-6 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Voigt approving expenses for the Outstanding Conservationist to attend the MASWCD convention in Duluth to include mileage and meal reimbursements.

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

2009/10-7 Motion by Uran, seconded by Lewis authorizing staff and supervisors to attend the MASWCD convention in Duluth.

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

2009/10-8 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Voigt authorizing a donation from to the MACDE raffle at the MASWCD convention not to exceed \$25.

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

Staff Leave Request:

2009/10-9 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Lewis approving staff leave request as follows:

- **District Technician – October 13, 14, 30**

Permits:

The Board reviewed permit # 96-2067 bridge replacement and 2010-0205 culvert replacement.

General Business:

General business discussion included NRCS Baudette field office staffing and the Surface Water Assessment Grant (SWAG) application.

2009/10-10 Motion by Uran, seconded by Lewis authorizing a letter to William Hunt supporting the filling of the vacant Soil Conservation Technician position in the Baudette Field Office.

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

2009/10-11 Motion by Lewis, seconded by Voigt authorizing staff to partner with Lake of the Woods SWCD to submit a SWAG application to the MPCA.

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

Confirm Next Meeting Date:

The next regular meeting of the Koochiching SWCD will be held on Monday, November 2, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in the courthouse basement conference room.

Adjourn Meeting:

2009/10-12 Motion by Voigt, seconded by Meyers to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 pm.

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

Submitted by: _____
Board Secretary

Date