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MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2009 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Demarais, Kevin Belkholm, Wayne Anderson, Karen Longerbone

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Hoppe

OTHERS PRESENT: Kelly Osterdyk, Jan Anderson

Vice-Chairman Demarais called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

M/S/C Belkholm, Anderson to approve the Minutes for the July 21, 2009 meeting

M/S/C Demarais, Belkholm to approve Financial report for July.

Old Business: Discussed possible changes to Personnel Policies; Paid Time Off and medical insurance coverage. **M/S/C** Longerbone, Belkholm to approve medical insurance renewal with PEIP effective Sept. 1, 2009.

2010 Draft Budget: Budget was discussed and changes were made by the board. **M/S/C** Anderson, Longerbone to approve 2010 budget as amended. The budget will be presented to the county board on August 26 at 7:00 p.m.

319 Grant Application Budget for Groundhouse TMDL was reviewed. We were notified by MPCA that we are recommended for funding. Work plan will be completed by August 25.

Conservation Farm: Hybrid Poplars and other poplars on the farm have been cut; the payment of \$1,651.04 has been received. Kelly presented a recommendation of what to do with the site from Mohammed the RC&D Forester. His recommendation is to let them re-grow and clip all but the main stem. There was also a recommendation of planting willows, but no clone has been identified for this area, so it would be an experimental venture. No decision was made. Also, DNR has agreed to seal the observation well on Kevin Belkholm's property; and will be drilling another one nearby on the SWCD farm property. Jan presented the agreement with DNR for the installation & maintenance of the new well #33012. The board approved the agreement and Vice-Chair Demarais signed it; with the requirement that it be well marked and that it have a locking cap.

Area III Meeting & Tour – To be held September 23 & 24, at Mountain Iron; hosted by North St. Louis SWCD. **M/S/C** Anderson, Longerbone to pay for expenses for Jan and one board member to attend. Kelly will be attending as a Pine board member.

MASWCD District Capacity Award form was reviewed, discussed and approved.

Plat book quantity purchase discount request by Minnesota's Book Store – want to buy 18 books and inquired if could get a break on the cost; board declined due to our reduced budget/revenues.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Belholm, approved to pay the cost-share encumbered for Eric Poulin, well sealing project, contract #09-02, \$245. Technical assistance approval by Kelly Osterdyk.

D.M. Report: Kelly mentioned that will be watching for announcement from BWSR about possible future Clean Water Legacy grant funds to apply for. BWSR sent information for self-assessment survey, will be compiling a list of people/agencies to send survey to. We received general services, cost share and RIM easement grant agreement from BWSR. The agreement was signed and will be returned.

M/S/C Anderson, Longerbone to approve payment for vouchers.

Next meeting scheduled for September 8.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

_____Approved Date_____