



## KANABEC SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 2010 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Wayne Anderson, Karen Longerbone, Paul Hoppe, Tom Demarais

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Kevin Belkholm

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kelly Osterdyk, Jan Anderson

Chairman Hoppe called the meeting to order at 3:12 PM. Board members had met prior at 2:30 to do performance evaluation for the District Manager.

**Minutes:** M/S/C Anderson, Longerbone to approve the July 13 minutes as presented.

**Financial Report:** M/S/C Anderson, Demarais to approve the July financial report. M/S/C Anderson, Demarais to pay Kelly .50¢ mile for mileage he had for recent TMDL sampling. M/S/C Demarais, Longerbone to pay the vouchers presented. The 2011 budget was reviewed. The SWCD will present the budget to the county board at their August 11 meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Paul Klemmer & Linda Haus accepted the 2010 Outstanding Conservationist nomination, they will attend the luncheon on Dec. 7 in St. Paul.

The medical insurance renewal was discussed further. Information about the HSA option was given.

Fair Booth – Wayne, Tom & Karen discussed their observations/experiences while manning the booth at the Kanabec County Fair.

**Cost share projects** – Osterdyk gave a progress report on the current cost share projects. Paul expressed his concerns on giving cost-share assistance on properties where the landowner should have more responsibilities to make corrections, especially for commercial enterprises. Paul also reported he had attended on the Shoreline Restoration How-To Workshop held August 2 on the Rum River near Princeton.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The Area III tour this year is being hosted by Pine SWCD on September 23. The morning session will be held in Hinckley and afternoon session is at the Audubon Center of the North Woods on Grindstone Lake. Paul encouraged everyone who was able to go to it.

MASWCD District Capacity Award Score Sheet was reviewed and amended and signed by Supervisors present.

**Committee reports** – Wayne reported that he was not able to attend the last RC&D Council meeting. He said that the Council is developing a sustainability plan for RC&D’s future, the Council wants to have SWCD members more involved. Tom reported that there was not a TSA meeting in July. Paul had discussed SRWMB CAC cost-share issues earlier.

**District Manager report** – Osterdyk reported that the DNR Forest Stewardship Grant was approved, he will send an invoice for the funds as projects are completed. State BWSR grant is \$4,000 less than last year, the base grant is \$27,232. Kelly met with the Quamba Lake Association recently and discussed the TMDL programs with them. Grant application periods are now opening up for Clean Water funds.

Wayne reported on helping with planting of the Rain Gardens that were constructed at the Kanabec History Center. They were brought about through cooperation of Nick Solomon, TSA Vegetative Restoration Specialist and the Town and County Garden Club and funding from SRWMB.

**District Conservationist report** – Reviewed DC’s report, submitted by Donna Walters-Nelson as Shannon was ill. They attended CRP training in St. Cloud recently – Signup is Aug. 2-27; FSA administers the program, Kanabec County is not a priority area. Round 2 CSP signup; 4 of the 6 applications have been preapproved. Also site visits on: streambank protection project with Marv Kunkel, Area Engineering Tech.; visited 2 rotational grazing sites of EQIP participants with Tom Gervais, Area Grazing Specialist. Shannon and Donna also attended the Shoreline Restoration Workshop in Mille Lacs County.

**Next meeting date** – Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at 3:00 pm.

M/S/C Anderson, Demarais to adjourn at 5:01 p.m.

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