



## KANABEC SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### MINUTES OF JULY 14, 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Johnson, Paul Hoppe, Gene Carda, Betty Wilkens, Kevin Belholm

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Deanna Pomije, Jan Anderson. Donna Walters- Nelson

Chairman Hoppe called meeting together at 2:35 p.m.

**M/S/C** Johnson, Carda to approve Minutes of June 9 board meeting. **M/S/C** Wilkens, Belholm to approve 2016 budget to be presented to the county board. **M/S/C** Johnson, Wilkens to pay the vouchers.

Old Business: Cost Share Updates: Lynn Erickson, field erosion – contract is signed, design is being worked on. Mark Peterson Fish Lake shoreline erosion project – is out for bid. Roger & Kathy Tentis gully erosion in Fish Lake shore land to ready to go, waiting on contractor. Tom Felger concrete slab – waiting for contractor.

Deanna reported that Wenck has submitted a bill on the CWF City of Mora Stormwater assessment.

**M/S/C** Wilkens, Johnson to approve the 2016 Observation Well Contract with DNR.

Kanabec County Water Plan: Discussed how to ask the county board about having a larger part in the water plan rewrite. Decided to present it to the board in phases; starting with discussion of our budget.

Discussed the upcoming Area 3 meeting and tour; it was suggested to add the Erickson Wildlife Management Area to the afternoon tour; and maybe having Jodie Provost, DNR talking about the WMA.

SWCD Conservation Farm: Dean Heikes who rents fields at the farm requested permission to build an access road through a low, wet area to access one of the fields. After much discussion the following motion was approved. **M/S/C** Johnson, Carda to approve spending up to \$500 for a culvert to be installed at the site.

Soil Health Tour to be held September 15 at Don McKenzie's farm in Pine County. **M/S/C** Wilkens, Belholm to donate a shovel to be given away as a door prize, and spend up to \$30.

D.C. Report: Donna presented the DC report and reported on Technical Assistance, Meetings, Training and other activities they have been involved in. Also, the Local Work Group meeting for this year is scheduled for July 29.

D.M. Report: Deanna discussed her report; she mentioned that at a recent area district manager's meeting, a discussion was held on possibly sharing WAC duties; the involved counties are Kanabec, Mille Lacs, Isanti & Benton and using the services of the Pine SWCD Wetland Specialist. Deanna also reported that starting July 1 there is a new Soil Loss Whistle Blower law in place. If a complaint is made regarding possible soil loss; the SWCD would have to investigate and come up with a solution; counties would be responsible for issuing a cease & desist. ??

M/S/C Carda, Johnson to approve Deanna attending the September 16 & 17 SWCD Governance meeting in St. Cloud, registration cost is \$145.00. M/S/C Carda, Johnson to approve Deanna to attend the October 27-29 BWSR Academy at Breezy Point. She also reported she will be working on the semi-annual CWP grant report.

Mike reported that he is attending the August 19 Groundwater Seminar in St. Cloud for the evening session for supervisors.

There were no committee reports.

Gene mentioned that following the July 4 "Light up the Lake" event on Knife Lake that there have been complaints about the phosphorus from these flairs going into the lake.

Jan reported that the new computers arrived and have been installed and are working very well.

Next meeting scheduled for August 11 at 2:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

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