



KANABEC SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF MARCH 10, 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Kelly Osterdyk, Jan Anderson, Shannon Rasinski, Donna Walters-Nelson

Chairman Hoppe called meeting together at 2:05 p.m.

M/S/C Johnson, Carda to approve minutes and financial report for February and 2014 Year End Financial Report. **M/S/C** Carda, Johnson to pay the vouchers.

2015 Annual Plan: Board members will review and be ready to approve next month.
M/S/C Wilkens, Carda to approve the three year rental space agreement.

Discussed where to advertise the District Manager's position opening; applications to be received by April 6.

Grants Update: Well Sealing Cost-Share request from Jycenta Nielsen; total cost \$540; **M/S/C** Belkholm, Johnson to approve cost share for the well sealing up to \$405, not to exceed 75% of total eligible costs, whichever is less.

Mike reported he met with engineer on Lynn Erickson field erosion project; board also discussed plan and possible financial assistance from NRCS which won't be available until next year. Shannon also mentioned that operator should be encouraged to plant cover crops to take care of long term erosion problem. **M/S/C** Wilkens, Belkholm to commit up to \$20,000; with BWSR approval to make dollar amount changes to the grant budget for Phase 1 of the project.

Ann Lake Watershed Alliance Event scheduled for April 11; stakeholders and landowners have been invited to hear about ALWA, status of the fish and health of the lake and learn about Civic Governance way for citizens to establish policy for the common good.

St. Croix Summit meeting April 29th **M/S/C** Johnson, Carda to approve board and staff registration costs for Paul \$85 all day & Kelly \$40 evening only to go.

2014 Annual Report will be presented to the county board and meeting date will be scheduled.

D.C. Report: Shannon reported on CSP, EQIP, technical assistance provided; training & meetings and site visits conducted by staff.

D.M. Report: Kelly & Jan removed three of the worst county line conservation district signs.

BWSR Clean Water Fund Grant – City of Mora Storm water runoff and Lake Mora modeling data. Kelly and Jeff Strom of Wenck Assoc. met with City of Mora staff to discuss grant. Kelly requested approval to attend Forestry Training May 5 & 6, registration cost is \$150; Mike made motion to approve; no one seconded the motion; tabled until April meeting.

Committee Reports: Mike reported that the next TSA meeting will be March 25. He also reported Snake River Watershed will be hiring a watershed coordinator with new Clean Water Grant funds. Paul gave Forestry Committee update and reported that the next Snake River meeting to include conservation easement information and benefits.

Next meeting scheduled for April 14 at 2:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

_____ approved _____ date