



KANABEC SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2013 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gene Carda

OTHERS PRESENT: Kelly Osterdyk, Jan Anderson

Paul Hoppe called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m.

M/S/C Johnson Wilkens to approve minutes of September 10 Board Meeting.

M/S/C Belkholm, Wilkens to approve Financial Report for September as presented and pay vouchers

Old Business: **M/S/C Johnson, Belkholm** to approve Kevin Thoney's pilot project – no-till/ridge till for \$3,847.50 (\$23.75/acre) from the Groundhouse 319 funds.

PICKM Alliance meeting on October 21 at Stanchfield. **M/S/C Johnson, Wilkens** to approve registrations for whoever would like to attend.

BWSR Clean Water Funds Grants – Kelly applied for 1) Ann River Implementation Grants; 2) Community Partners (PICKM) Kanabec SWCD would be fiscal agent; 3) Snake River Watershed – TMDL Restoration and Protection Funds.

New Business:

Area 3 Envirothon donation request – asking \$400 from each district or to raise donations for funding 2014 Envirothon event. Jan is still soliciting donations from various sources.

Cost-share Projects: Kelly reported that the Tom Felger ag waste project is under construction; landowner wants to make changes to plan regarding filter strip elevations and runoff.

Jan was contacted from plat book company about contracting for a new plat book in 2014 and possibly wall maps. Will have more information and sample book next month.

M/S/C Johnson, Wilkens to again nominate Kelly for Employee of the Year.

The MASWCD 2014 Resolutions were discussed and voted upon.

Pheasants Forever – Kelly applying for a new burning grant and looking for local funding. Pheasants forever will contribute \$750 if he can get the Kanabec Conservation Club to also contribute. Kelly is going K.C.C. meeting tonight after the board meeting.

M/S/C Wilkens, Johnson to make the last MASWCD dues payment of \$655.50.

Betty discussed recent Strategic Land Management Plan – Phase 2 Land Exchange. DNR discussed land use and land swapping with the county. Comments will be sought from community members and township throughout the Snake River Watershed.

Mike reported on recent TSA meeting he attended. TSA III has applied for a grant to hire another area engineer for four years. Many districts had concerns on priorities and assistance from the TSA staff.

Area III meeting was held in Carlton County; Kelly & Jan attended the two days and took part in the tour; Mike attended business meeting on second day.

SRWMB – Paul - The Rice Lake Wildlife Refuge in Aitkin County was the location for the September meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for November 19 at 3:00 P.M.

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