



KANABEC SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF OCTOBER 14, 2014 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin Belkholm

OTHERS PRESENT: Kelly Osterdyk, Jan Anderson, Shannon Rasinski, Jason Weinerman

Chairman Hoppe called meeting together at 3:08 p.m.

M/S/C Johnson, Carda to approve the consent agenda items a & b: Financial Report for September, vouchers, September board minutes. Discussion on Item c: Rent Increase - our office space lease has expired and the landlord is requesting we pay for additional space at an increased cost per square foot. We will inform the landlord we are exploring our options; and will be checking on what office space rents for locally.

D.C. Report: Shannon reported on EQIP activities, technical assistance and field visits. Participated in a Knife Lake Dam pre-assessment meeting with State Engineer and KLID members. An inspection of the dam was made and if it is determined if anything needs to be fixed on the dam NRCS will pay 75% cost-share. She also reported they did FSA Compliance Reviews for Pine County. Also discussed some fields that have severe erosion and working with landowner who wants to fix them.

Mike, Kelly and Jan attended the Area 3 annual meeting in Grand Marais and reported on the projects visited on tour – stream bank stabilization and rain gardens. It is Kanabec SWCD's turn to host the area meeting in the fall of 2015.

Committee Reports: Mike reported the SRWMB toured a cover crop field in Mille Lacs County. TSA – Mike

Cost-Share: **M/S/C Johnson, Carda** to approve CWP grant funds for abandoned well sealing for Diana Dahl for up to 75% (\$131.25) of the cost of the lowest bid of \$175. Tom Felger – feedlot runoff treatment and control project – **M/S/C Wilkens, Johnson, Carda** did not vote, to approve additional cost share for Tom Felger from CWP grant not to exceed \$3,800. Betty amended her motion and Mike amended his second to extend Tom's contract through June 2015.

D.M. Report: Minnesota Conservation Corp crew members have been in Mora this week working on buckthorn control at Kanabec History Center and Mora City Property; this expense is coming out of our BWSR Weed Management – Technical Assistance Grant.

The board appointed Mike Johnson to represent the SWCD on the City of Mora Well Head Protection Committee.

Kelly reported that he has not heard back from the Ann River landowner to schedule a meeting to walk the river and view the river bank erosion, etc.

The board then reviewed and voted on the 2014 Resolutions.

Next board meeting scheduled for November 4.

The board and staff then participated with Jason Weinerman on the Strategic Planning process.

M/S/C Wilkens, Johnson to adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

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