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CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2009 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin Belkholm

OTHERS PRESENT: Kelly Osterdyk, Jan Anderson, Shannon Rasinski

Chairman Hoppe called the meeting to order at 4:37p.m.

M/S/C Anderson, Demarais to approve the Minutes for the August 11, 2009 Board Meeting.

M/S/C Demarais, Longerbone to approve Financial report for August.

D.C. Report: Shannon reported she had attended the Cattlemen's Asso. meeting on Aug. 20; and Sept. 3 put on a Conservation Stewardship Program public meeting which was not well attended. She & Donna have both been working on Certified Wetland Determinations, N/HEL determination and have certified 3 projects for payment. She discussed Civil Rights Responsibilities and that there will be a separate CSP funding pool for historically underserved participants. They will encourage all groups to participate through advertising & announcements.

Old Business: County budget meeting – Wayne, Karen & Kelly attended; Wayne made the 2010 budget presentation to the county board on August 26.

319 TMDL Groundhouse River Work Plan: The work plan was submitted to MPCA. We will start keeping track of our in-kind contributions starting October 1. The work plan will be emailed to board members.

Personnel Policies – PTO discussion, no decision made. Will provide information for October meeting.

Conservation Farm – Hybrid Poplars are resprouting, will need to be cut back to one main stem. Willows planting had been suggested by Mohamed, RC&D Forester. A rep from DNR has contacted Kelly about acquiring the district farm property for a wildlife management area. Wayne will speak to Dave Pauley about DNR's intentions with the property. No decision was made, but the board felt they did not want to "give the property away." Jan reported that DNR will be sealing the observation well on Kevin Belkholm's property and installing a new one at the district farm.

BWSR district survey – have not started working on it yet.

M/S/C Anderson, Demarais to approve Space agreement with landlord with an addition that the first rent payment will be due by October 31, 2010 for the period of Oct. 1, 2009 – Sept. 30, 2010 at \$10/square foot for 769 sq. ft. which also includes TSA III's portion of the space/rent. Also approved space agreement with NRCS for period of Oct. 1, 2008-Sept. 30, 2009.

Lake St. Croix TMDL – Memo of Agreement – Kanabec SWCD strongly supports. **M/S/C** Anderson, Demarais to will sign final agreement along with others counties involved and the water planners from each county.

Cost-Share: **Motion** by Anderson, **seconded** by Longerbone, **approved** to pay \$300 to Ernie Blaisdell, Contract #08-08, for his completed vegetative buffer planting on Fish Lake. Technical approval by Nichole Sternquist, Area III TSA. **Motion** by Demarais, **seconded** by Longerbone, **approved** to encumber up to \$1,320 or 75%, whichever is less, for Loren Barnick erosion control structure on crop land, contract #09-01. Technical approval authority by Marv Kunkel, NRCS.

SRWMB – will be going to the Snake River Watershed Board with a grant request to support the Vegetative Restoration Specialist position.

Nature Conservancy Request for Support – will invite the representative to the Walk in the Woods event on October 10 – 4 Corners (Counties) Project. Kanabec SWCD is helping to organize the event.

Wayne reported he attended the RC&D Council meeting.

D.M. Report: Kelly gave an update of the projects currently being installed and under construction; Ann Lake Township, Rick Westervelt, Lori Engblom & Ray Brasch. PICKM Committee is putting on a lake monitor's workshop October 1; members of lake associations will be invited.

2009 Resolution packet handed out. Voting to be completed at October board meeting.

M/S/C Anderson, Longerbone to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for October 13.

M/S/C Anderson, Longerbone to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

_____Approved Date_____