

*Stevens Soil & Water Conservation District*  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
*Tuesday, August 11, 2015*

- I. Chair Krosch called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Board members present: Fynboh, Hufford, Huntley (9:50), Krosch, Lonergan. Staff present: Klein, Lembcke, Rice, Solemsaas, Staebler. Others present: Cory Walker.
- II. The Agenda was unanimously approved as amended after a motion by Supervisor Hufford. Second by Supervisor Fynboh. Passed unanimously.
- III. Fynboh moved to approve the minutes from the July regular meeting. Second by Supervisor Lonergan. Passed unanimously.

IV. Financial Matters

- A. Lonergan moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Second by Hufford. Passed unanimously.
- B. Lonergan moved to approve payment of the following bills. Second by Fynboh. Passed

unanimously.

1. Valnes Rentals	August Rent	836.33
2. Greg Fynboh	Supervisor Pay	55.41
3. Kirby Hufford	Supervisor Pay	57.14
4. Jim Krosch	Supervisor Pay	66.91
5. Dave Lonergan	Supervisor Pay	66.48
6. Andy Rice	Tree stakes	370.44
7. Stevens County Highway	Gas & equipment rental	1248.07
8. Morris Sun Tribune	Advertising	70.00
9. NAPA	Parts	66.23
10. Willie's	Refreshments for canoe trip (AIS)	126.64
11. Town & Country Supply	Supplies	156.81
12. Morris Cooperative	Diesel	131.18
13. Valu Ford	2013 Dodge service	82.10
14. Agassiz Seed	Special order seed mix	165.00
15. American	Pens	274.56
16. Amundson Peterson	Parts	17.37
17. Morris Lumber	Rain garden supplies	193.91
18. Munsterman Accounting	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter tax reporting	56.25
19. Otter Tail Power	Electric bill	65.14
20. Bremer Card Services	Employee expenses & office supplies	504.57

IV. Old Business


- A. Board and staff discussed attending the SWCD Governance Workshop in September. Fynboh and Solemsaas will attend.
- B. Lonergan moved to rescind last month's motion to close out the 2015 CLWP grant. Second by Fynboh. Passed unanimously. Grant agreement deadline for spending funds is December 31, 2016. \$4132.50 in funding remains as of 6/30/15.

V. New Business

- A. Fynboh moved to approve the 2016-2017 SWCD Programs and Operations grant agreement with BWSR. Second by Lonergan. Passed unanimously.
- B. State and CWF Cost Share
  1. Hufford moved to approve payment of \$1064.30 for a rain garden project using federal 319 grant funding. Second by Fynboh, passed unanimously.
  2. Supervisor Huntley moved to remove the current policy limiting state cost share allocations to no more than 25% of one year's total project funding. Second by Hufford and all members voting aye, the motion passed.
- C. Cory Walker gave a verbal NRCS report. He's been working on status reviews and processing payments. The new soil conservation technician, Britta Haseman, starts on August 24.
- D. Additions to written staff reports
  1. Solemsaas reported that staff are now working on mowing and rain garden construction. There will be one more approval related to the WCA wetland banks he has been working on, hopefully next month. There are a couple shoreline restoration projects out for bids at this time and those will probably be constructed in September. Work is also starting on some alternative intake projects. Dylan is done with his internship on Friday. Some of the funding awarded through CWF grants has been spent by other counties in an effort to use up older funding first. We have been allocated funding from later years to compensate for this, so the total amount of funding we have available hasn't changed.
  2. Rice reported that he's working on helping landowners with CRP re-enrollments and has been answering questions related to the new buffer legislation.
  3. Lembcke reported that the rain garden constructions are going well.
  4. Staff discussed what they experienced on the recent PDTRA canoe trips down the Pomme de Terre River. Andy and John went on the trip covering the lower half of the watershed and Judy and Dylan went on both trips.
- E. The board thanked Dylan Klein for his help this summer and wished him luck in the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Greg Fynboh, Secretary

9-14-2015  
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