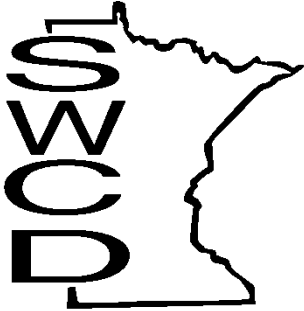


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Paul Posthuma-Chairman
Gary Brinks-Vice Chairman
Arland Moger-Secretary
Roger Steinman-P.R.&I.

Members Absent:

Shannon Cohrs-Treasurer

Others Present:

Howard Konkol-District Manager
Shelly Lewis-District Secretary
Craig Christensen-District Technician
Bob Moline- County Commissioner

The Meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Moger seconded by Brinks to approve the July 8, 2010 minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

The monthly Statement of Treasurer was read and filed for audit.

A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Steinman to approve Supervisor's vouchers, Murray SWCD, and SWPTSA salaries for July, 2010.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

County Commissioner Report: Bob reported that the County Commissioners are finished going through the budgets. They are looking at a step increase for 2011. They will be going through the budgets again starting in September. Bob wants zero dollars taken out of the reserve. The Murray County Medical Center has purchased the prairie ecology bus for \$25,000.00. The bus will be used for wellness checkups, blood testing, flu shots, ect. The Murray county fair starts on Tuesday with a free will offering for supper. Bob reported on the regional dispatch. It was decided to have the regional dispatch in Worthington. Murray County will not be going with Worthington they are still looking at having the dispatch stay in Murray County.

District Conservationist Report:

ENGINEERING: A roof is being constructed. A compost facility is under construction

EQIP: There will be training for the 2011 EQIP on August 16, 2010. The state Cons long range plan is to get conservation on the land.

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP): There are 35 CSP applications funded to date. Field verifications are being scheduled. The dollars are good again for this sign-up.

RC&D: The grazing workshop was a great success. Brian thanked the SWCD for their time and the time of the staff. The budget and final report will be submitted to Prairie Country RC&D as soon as possible.

WRP/RIM: Another WRP application was funded.

Mississippi Initiative: The proposal for the Mississippi Initiative has been funded. The program is on hold due to the gulf oil spill.

Staffing: Brian has officially accepted a position for dual county District Conservationist responsibilities for Murray and Redwood counties.

Meeting/Training:

EEO/Civil Rights: Women's Equality Month

Office Space Rent Agreement: The office space agreement was signed in August for renting 850sq feet of office space at \$14.00/sq ft. The Rent agreement is through December 2010.

FY2011 State of MN BWSR Grant Agreement: A motion was made by Moger seconded by Brinks to approve chairman signing the FY 2011 State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources SWCD Base Grant agreement for \$6,227.00 (Easement Services), \$17,647.00 (General Services), \$10,539.00 (State Cost-Share) and using 20% of State Cost-Share for T&A.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

State Cost-Share Reimbursement Percentage & Technical Sign-Off:

A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to set the reimbursement percentage for State Cost-Share applications at 50% of the cost not to exceed \$2,500.00.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Moger to approve Craig Christensen as sign-off for trees and NRCS and/or SWPTSA as sign-off for Engineering practices

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Murray County Fair Schedule:

A motion was made by Moger seconded by Brinks to approve Supervisors working at the booth during the Murray County Fair as scheduled

	2:00-6:00	6:00-Closing
Wednesday, August 18	Shelly	Craig
Thursday, August 19	Roger	Gary
Friday, August 20	Paul	Arland
Saturday, August 21	Howard	XXXXXXXXXX

NPEA Base Grant Agreement: A motion was made by Moger seconded by Steinman to sign the NPEA Base Grant Agreement in the amount of \$125,000.00 to fund the TSA Engineer and Technician positions and to act as the fiscal agent for the Southwest Prairie Technical Service Area Joint Power Board.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Scoping Document for Doug & Don Hansen Wetland Banking Plan: The Board reviewed the scoping document for Doug and Don Hansen Wetland Banking plan.

Farmbill Reauthorization Forums: The Farmbill Reauthorization Forums will be held on August 17, 2010 in Pipestone.

CWF Competitive Grants: The 2011 CWF Competitive Grants RFP is from August 4- September 15, 2010.

Area V SWMASWCD Meeting: A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Steinman to approve Supervisors & Employees attending the Area V SWMASWCD meeting on September 1, 2010 in Redwood.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Bills: A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Brinks to pay Murray SWCD bills in the amount of \$8,181.48 for August and 2 in the amount of \$8,614.12 from July and SWPTSA bills in the amount of \$7,453.34 for August and 1 in the amount of \$108.79 for July.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Murray SWCD will be held on September 9, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the USDA Service Center, Slayton, Minnesota.

A motion was made by Moger seconded by Brinks to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Approve by Arland Moger, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date