

DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MINUTES

Monday, December 12, 2016 – 3:00 P.M

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday December 12, 2016. Chairman Thoennes called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Rutten, Thoennes and Wolf. Schneider absent. , Also in attendance were: Douglas, County Lake Association Board Member Linda Dokken-McFann and Lake Brophy Lake Association Board Member Gene Johnson, Newly Elected Supervisor Mike Cleary, Billy Dropik, Haggemiller and Arceneau.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular November 14, 2016, meeting was discussed. Motion by Barsness to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read. Motion by Wolf to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Barsness. Motion carried.

Reports

- A. Coordinator's Report** – Haggemiller handed out his monthly report.
- B. Pomme De Terre Report** – Barsness reported they have offered the position to Stephanie and she will start the 1st of the year. Reviewed the grants, BWSR tour in August. Next meeting January 13
- C. MAWCD Annual Meeting** – Haggemiller, Thoennes and Barsness reported on session they attended.
- D. Douglas County Commissioner Report**-No Report Given

Old Business

- A. 2017 Meeting Schedule.** Motion by Barsness to approve the 2017 meeting schedule. Seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- B. Water Plan Amendment Hearing** – Derks has made the recommended changes and Haggemiller and Derks will attend the January 11 BWSR North Region hearing,

New Business

- A. Field Office Update**– Dybdal reported that they received four highly erodible land determination (HEL/NHEL) and four applications for EQIP. There was a backlog on 1026's. Signed the Continuation Resolution allowing Federal Workers thru April.
- B. FY 2017 BWSR Buffer Grant Approval** Motion by Rutten to approve the 2017 BWSR Buffer Grant. Seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- C. Well Sealing Cost Share Application** Motion by Rutten to approve Mark Vanderwerf, Michael Klimek, Jacob Nyen, David Godding and Craig Andrews applications Seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.
- D. State Cost Share Payment** - Jack Bitzen Sediment Retention Structures Motion by Wolf to approve Cost Share Payment - \$3,115.16 for Jack Bitzen Seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

E. Well Sealing Cost Share Payments

1. LD Development Company Total Cost \$395.00 Cost Share Payment - \$197.50 Motion by Wolf to approve \$197.50 payment to LD Development Company. Seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
2. South Side Cottage LLC Total Cost \$210.00 Cost Share Payment 50% \$105.00 Motion by Wolf to approve \$105 payment for South Side Cottage LLC Seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
3. Gary Kakach Total Cost \$395.00 Cost Share Payment 50% \$197.50 Motion by Barsness to approve \$197.50 payment to Gary Kakach. Seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
4. John Creek Total Cost \$395.00 Cost Share Payment 50% 197.50 Motion by Rutten to approve \$197.50 payment to John Creek. Seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.

F. Area II Envirothon Donation Request. Motion by Barsness to approve \$150 donation to the Area II Envirothon. Seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

G. Saint Agnes School Donation Request- \$100 Motion by Rutten to approve \$100 donation to the Saint Agnes School. Seconded by Wolf. Motion carried.

H. 2016 Clean Water Fund Application Approved- Haggemiller announced that two of our applications were approved totaling \$320,420.

I. 2017 Health Insurance Motion by Wolf to approve the recommended increase to the employer's premiums and the \$3,000 into the HSA accounts for employee's startup funds Seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

J. Dave Wolf thanked the Supervisors and Staff for doing an excellent job and wished the new Supervisor's all the best.

K. Jerome Haggemiller – Yearly Review – The Supervisors thanked Haggemiller for doing an excellent job the last year. Motion by Rutten to increase Haggemiller wages by \$1.51 per hour starting the current payroll, seconded by Barsness. Motion carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of December, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks 8398-8433 for a total of \$75,967.38 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Barsness to pay the bills, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

Adjournment. Motion by Barsness to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

Secretary,

Jon Schneider, Secretary

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