

MINUTES
Board of Supervisors Meeting
December 29th, 2015
Grant Soil & Water Conservation District
712 Industrial Park Blvd, Elbow Lake, MN 56531

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members Present: Randy Larson, Chairman
Paul Groneberg, Vice-Chairman
Odell Christenson, Treasurer
Don Dally, Personnel Director
Larry Stephens, Member

Others Present: Brent Gulbrandson, NRCS
Joe Montonye, Loren Olson and Mary Jo Knutson, Grant SWCD

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Dally to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of the November 25th, 2015 meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Dally to approve the Treasurer's report as read. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Correspondence:

1. **Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board – New Requirement for Public Officials**—All public officials now must review and recertify their Statements of Economic Interest annually even if nothing has changed.
2. **MASWCD – New Leadership Training Institute for MASWCD Members**—Board discussed and tabled any decisions at this time.

Old Business:

1. **Grant SWCD FY16 Budget**—Board discussed the proposed budget. *Discussion was held on the \$5,000 in the budget for education, more emphasis will be spent on no-till and soil health in 2016.* Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Dally to approve the FY16 Budget as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

New Business:

1. **Pomme de Terre Report**—Groneberg presented a summary from the December 11th, 2015 meeting. Board discussed the various grants.
2. **2016 Grant SWCD Employee Salary Proposal**—Staff presented their 2016 salary proposal to the Board. Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Dally to approve the salary proposal as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
3. **State Convention Report**—Larson and Montonye attended the MASWCD State Convention and they reported on the various meetings they attended. Both felt it was a well-attended and very informative.
4. **FY2016 Clean Water Fund SWCD Local Capacity Services Grant Agreement**—Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Groneberg to approve the Clean Water Fund SWCD Local Capacity Services Grant Agreement (P16-9207) in the amount of \$100,000.00. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
5. **NRCS Report**—Gulbrandson reported that Mosburg has been busy with CSP payments and he's been working on EQIP. The new Ultima employee Mary Johnson, started on December 14th.

Motion was made by Dally, seconded by Stephens to pay the December 2015 bills #12562 - #12577 and all debit card withdrawals as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Groneberg to adjourn the meeting at 11:37 a.m. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

December minutes were approved at the January 28th, 2016 Board meeting