

***MINUTES***  
***Board of Supervisors Meeting***  
***January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2012***  
***Grant Soil & Water Conservation District***  
***712 Industrial Park Blvd, Elbow Lake, MN 56531***

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

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

Members Absent: Theo Myron, Personnel Director

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

**Secretary's Report:** Motion was made by Dally, seconded by Groneberg to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of the December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

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

**Correspondence:**

- 1. BMP Challenge---**Reduced tillage and nutrient management and the portions of the challenge. Board discussed.

## **New Business:**

- 1. Reorganization of the Board and Committee Appointments – Pomme de Terre River Association JPB, Chippewa River Project JPB, Technical Service Area (TSA) #1 JPB and Secretary to the Board of Supervisors**—Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Christenson to maintain all the Board positions for 2012 the same as they were in 2011. Which are as follows: Chair – Randy Larson, Vice-Chair – Paul Groneberg, Treasurer – Odell Christenson, Personal Director – Theo Myron and Member-at-Large – Don Dally. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Larson made by following committee appointments for 2012: Groneberg to the Pomme de Terre River Association JPB, Dally to the Chippewa River Project Representative, Christenson to the Technical Service Area #1 JPB with Larson being the alternate, and Knutson will serve as Secretary to the Board.

- 2. Agriculture Water Quality Certification Program**—This new program is designed to accelerate voluntary adoption of agricultural practices that enhance water quality. It is the product of a state-federal partnership. Board discussed.
- 3. Request for Envirothon Donation**—Motion was made by Dally, seconded by Christenson to approve the request for \$150.00. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 4. Cost-Share Final Financial Reports – FY2010 & FY2011**—Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Dally to approve the FY2010 & FY2011 Cost-Share Final Financial Reports. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 5. Approve State Cost-Share Contracts – Balgaard Services and Glenderosa Corporation**—

**Balgaard Services**--Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Dally to approve the State Cost-Share contract #2012-01 for Balgaard Services for a Critical Area Planting in the amount of \$7,100 with cost-sharing not to exceed \$5,000 (SWCD Maximum) or 75% of the total eligible cost, whichever is less. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**Glenderosa Corporation**--Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Dally to approve the State Cost-Share contract #2012-02 for Glenderosa Corporation for a Critical Area Planting in the amount of \$6,500 with cost-sharing not to exceed \$5,000 (SWCD Maximum) or 75% of the total eligible cost, whichever is less. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**New Business: (continued)**

- 6. WesMin RC&D Dues, MASWCD Dues and Area 1 Dues**—It was decided not to pay the requested \$400 RC&D dues for 2012. After much discussion, Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Christenson to pay the \$1,895.00 MASWCD dues for 2012. Affirmative: Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: Larson. Motion Carried. Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Dally to pay the \$150.00 Area I dues for 2012. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 7. Designate Depository for District Funds**— Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Dally to continue with the checking and savings accounts at Bank of the West in Elbow Lake and to continue to shop around when purchasing a certificate of deposit for the best interest rate as they mature. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 8. Mileage Rates and Supervisor Compensation Rates**—Motion was made by Dally, seconded by Christenson to use the IRS standard mileage rate of \$.555/mile for 2012 and continue to pay supervisor compensation at a rate of \$75/day (the maximum). Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 9. Review Personnel Evaluations**—Montonye reviewed the personnel evaluations for Knutson and Olson. Larson reviewed Montonye's personnel evaluation. Complete personnel reviews are on file at the SWCD office.
- 10. Review Employee Salaries**--Motion was made by Dally, seconded by Groneberg to approve 2012 employee salary proposal as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed None. Motion Carried. (proposal attached)

Motion was made Groneberg, seconded by Christenson to pay the 2011 Year-End bills #11753 - #11792 and all debit card withdrawals as presented and the January 2012 bills #11763 - #11769 and all debit card withdrawals as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Dally to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

***January Minutes were approved at the February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 Meeting.***