

MINUTES
Board of Supervisors Meeting
September 23rd, 2010
Grant Soil & Water Conservation District
712 Industrial Park Blvd, Elbow Lake, MN 56531

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

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

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

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Christenson to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of the August 31st, 2010 meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

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

New Business:

- 1. Review of Pomme de Terre and Mustinka CWF Grants Applied For**—Montonye explained that the District had submitted two grant applications through the Clean Water Fund (CWF). The Pomme de Terre was a joint application with neighboring Districts and was submitted through the Pomme de Terre Joint Powers Board (JPB), and the Mustinka was a joint application with neighboring Districts and was submitted through the Bois de Sioux Watershed District. The BWSR Board will take action on the grants in December and we should know in January if we were successful or not.

Myron arrived at the meeting at 8:15 a.m.

New Business: (continued)

2. **Approval of 2011 Budget—Copies were distributed.** Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Groneberg to approve the proposed 2011 budget as presented which includes a 3% increase from the County. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Myron and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
3. **Red River Valley Water Retention Projects Committee (using CCRP, WRP etc.)—**Montonye read the e-mail from Don Bajumpaa, Wilkin County, and Congressman Collin Peterson is looking for ideas to accelerate the installation of water retention projects in the Red River Valley. They are looking at strengths and weaknesses of existing farm bill programs and exploring ideas for new programs and/or establishing pilot programs. Some of the ideas were: Wider CP21's, now only 120' maybe allow up to 300'; allow CP21's in less contributing watersheds; enforce existing CRP rules (ditching etc); pay higher incentives on wetland restorations, incentive pay is 20% now maybe allow up to 40%. Montonye will relay these concerns/ideas to Bajumpaa.
4. **2010 State Water Plan (Draft)**—Montonye reported that he has been working on the Local Water Management Plan Amendment for the years 2010 to 2015.
5. **NRCS Report**—Mosburg reported that his fiscal year ends September 30th so he's wrapping things up for the year-end.

Motion was made Christenson, seconded by Myron to pay the September 2010 bills #11499 - #11509 and all debit card withdrawals as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Myron and Dally. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

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

Minutes were approved at the October 28th, 2010 Board Meeting

***Next Board Meeting – Thursday, October 28th @ 8:00 a.m.
PLEASE call if you are unable to attend.***

