

Carlton County Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday October 14, 2008

Location: SWCD office at 115 5th St. South, Carlton

Chair Dahl called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call:

Members

Present:

Mark Thell
Barb Dahl
Merrill Loy
Larry Sampson

Absent

Carol Hauck

Staff

Present:

Brad Matlack
Kelly Smith
Lu Olean
Daniel Weber

The pledge of allegiance was said.

M/S Loy/Sampson to approve agenda
Motion carried

M/S Loy/Sampson to approve the minutes
Motion carried

M/S Loy/Sampson to receive Treasurer's report for September 30, 2008
Motion carried

Guest & Visitors:

None

NRCS Report:

Daniel Weber reviewed information about the discrimination and disabilities acts, data privacy, and board diversity. October is Disability Awareness and Hispanic Heritage month. He informed the board that the following Cooperators programs are completed: Louis Butkiewicz, Joe Worm and Linda Erickson. Close to starting are: Silver Rock Dairy and Cromwell-Wright school.

Cost Share Contracts:

Matlack suggested that Ted Erickson's Feedlot Project be put on next month's agenda because the paperwork is not completed.

Matlack and Smith talked about the new cost share practice for forestry. Priorities must be erosion and or water quality problems. They will look into a comprehensive plan in the future.

Cooperators Agreements:

None

Correspondence:

Thank you from Lisa Dosch was presented. Matlack told supervisors about the nomination for District employee. Thell had an invitation to everyone for Onanegozie 40th Celebration. Must RSVP by October 27th. He will be attending.

Old Business:

The Supervisors who attended the Area III were pleased with the tour, food and thought it was very educational. One concern brought up was the need for a clarification on spouses and their attendance to next years meeting. Loy will bring it up at the next area meeting.

All Supervisors present brought in their ballots for the Resolution Voting; all had questions on number 13.

Awards Banquet update: October 16, 45 will be attending so far, slide show ready, presenters notified and Loy will MC the event.

New Business:

The 2008 MASWCD Convention will be held December 8, 9 and 10th. Must be registered by November 6. So far attending will be Loy and Sampson. Matlack will touch bases with the Gamache family to see if they plan on attending. The SWCD will provide them with \$150.00 for expenses to defray their cost.

Matlack purchased caps and recycled pens with the SWCD logo. Will be giving them away at different functions.

Kirstin Swenson Performance Review as Water Resource Coordinator was done and because of her excellent work she will be taken off probation and given a salary increase of .60 an hour effective immediately.

M/S Loy/Samson

Motion carried

Brad Matlack Performance Review as General Manager was done and because of his exceptional work he will be given a salary increase starting January 1st, 2009.

M/S Sampson/Thell

Motion carried

Outside Organizations Issues:

None

Other Business:

Thell announced October 22nd the Carlton County Farmers Association will be meeting at the Brickyard Restaurant in Wrenshall at 12:30 and everyone is invited.

Because of the MASWCD Convention the December 8th Board Meeting will be moved to December 15th

M/S Loy/Sampson

Motion carried

Having no further business,

M/S Merrill/Thell to adjourn.

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Submitted by: Lu Olean

Date Approved:

Chair: Barbara Dahl

Secretary: Larry Sampson