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Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting February 6, 2012

Minutes of the Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District, Courthouse, NRCS/SWCD office, Montevideo MN 56265.

Meeting was **called to order** by Chairman Steve Nokleby at 3:00 p.m. at the Courthouse, Montevideo, MN.

Members **present**: Kittelson, Schuler, Nokleby, Sunderland

Others **present**: SWCD staff: Jean Diggins, Zach Bothun, Tom Warner; NRCS Staff: Shantel Lozinski.

M/S/P Schuler, Kittelson to **approve the agenda/with additions.**

M/S/P Kittelson, Sunderland to **approve the January meeting minutes.**

The Treasurer gave the **Treasurer's report** and the supervisors placed it on file subject to audit and authorized the payment of the bills as presented.

Staff reports

Jean Diggins reported:

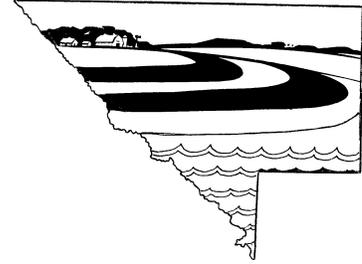
- Year-end reporting: Financial reporting was completed and copies made available to the Supervisors, the Supervisors/Commissioners received copies of the 2012 Annual Plan for their review and approval at the March meeting, Annual Report is at the printers, web reporting nearly completed.
- Discussion continued for the replacement of the Board position created by the resignation of Robert Dirksen (Woods, Lone Tree Rheiderland)
- The Board signed the WIA contract.
- The Board reviewed the 2012 education contract presented to the Chippewa River Watershed for 120 hours of service/\$2750.40.
 - M/S/P Schuler, Sunderland to approve the contract.
- That she had sent a letter to the Big Stone Commissioners on their behalf concerning the future of Prairie Country RC&D.
- The Board received a copy of the MN Ag Water Quality Certification Program resolution.

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Tom Warner reported:

- Updated on his WCA/1026 activity
- Reported that the Elink reports were completed
- Met with an interested landowner for the Walk-in Access program
- In a RIM/WRP sign-up period. There is one potential contract.
- Cost-share Agreement (11-3) presented for the City of Maynard.
 - M/S/P Sunderland, Kittelson to approve the agreement for a tree shelterbelt estimated at \$4200/75%/\$3150.

Zach Bothun reported:

- He has sent out a feedlot inventory letter/incentive offer of \$250 for developing a manure management plan
- Participated in two webinars in January in regards to administering the Walk-in Access program
- Developing a letter for eligible Walk-in Access landowners
- Working on a power point for the Wildlife Habitat meeting

Shantel's Report (NRCS)

- Reported on the progress of the Habitat meeting on Feb. 16th at the DNR Headquarters from 9:00 to noon.
- Reported the NRCS Biologist/BWSR Wetland Specialist met with Tom/Shantel to review the 1026's that Tom has been working on. Tom has been approved/certified by NRCS/BWSR on the 1026's process.
- General CRP sign-up March-April

Misc/Meetings

- *NACD Convention*
- *Wildlife Habitat Meeting-Feb. 16th*
- *MASWCD Legislative Days-Feb. 15 & 16th*
- *Hawk Creek Annual Meeting-Feb. 8th*
- *Area II meeting-Feb. 8th*
- *Local Water Plan-Feb. 22nd*
- *Steve Sunderland reported that he had attended the NACD Conference. There was discussion on the new FarmBill.*

Next Meeting: March 5th, 20123:00 p.m. Courthouse