

## CHIPPEWA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting May 6, 2013

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

Meeting was **called to order** by Chairman Larry Kittelson at 3:30.

Members **present**: Schuler, Sunderland, Kittelson. Member **absent**: Roelofs, Eisenlohr  
Others **present**: SWCD staff: Jean Diggins, Zach Bothun, Tom Warner, NRCS staff:  
Shantel Lozinski; Jeff Lopez and Matt Gilbertson, County Commissioners.

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

M/S/P Schuler, Sunderland **approve the April meeting minutes.**

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

#### **Staff reports**

##### **Jean Diggins reported:**

- The next Area II meeting will be hosted by the Kandiyohi SWCD on June 6th.
- M/S/P Sunderland, Schuler to approve MN West Bank of Montevideo as their official depository.
- MASWCD has sent out correspondence calling for resolutions
- Diggins reported that the Soil Stewardship materials have been delivered.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade field days are scheduled for May 15 & 16<sup>th</sup>
- Women's Field days are being planned for June 20<sup>th</sup>
- The 5<sup>th</sup> grade posters were judged and the winners are: Meghan Erp (Monte), Emily Koenen (MACCRAY), Alexia Faulkner (Monte) Annie Dykema (MACCRAY) They will be awarded \$10 prize at Field Days later in the month.

##### **Tom and Zach's report:**

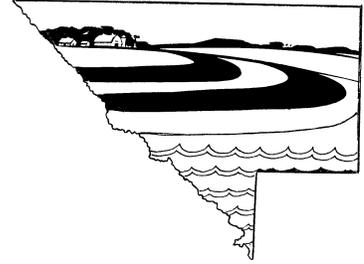
- Zach and Tom reported that the trees are here and they have been busy delivering the potted trees, the water plan committee continues to meet updating the plan. The native prairie/rock outcropping proposal is waiting for legislative action.
- The FARMBILL Grant was presented for approval
  - M/S/P Schuler, Sunderland approved the part-time position.

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- Tom presented a state-cost application for approval:
  - M/S/P Schuler, Sunderland to approve Lane Bodin (Sec 3 Stoneham) (13-2) application for a farmstead shelterbelt with a cost-estimate of \$1612 (75% cost-share rate) or \$920
  - M/S/P Sunderland, Schuler to approve Polly Kruger (Sec. 31 Lonetree) (13-3) application for 2-638 structures with a cost-estimate of \$21,840 (with EQIP) or a rate not to exceed 75% (\$6,000.)
- The discussion started about choosing a “Conservationist of the Year”
- Tom reported that he met with BWSR wetland specialists to view some potential sites for wetland banking.

### **Shantel:**

- Gave her monthly activity report.
- Planning for this year’s women field days continues. A date of June 20<sup>th</sup> is being planned with the dam removal in both Montevideo and Granite Falls as the topic of the meeting.
- Montevideo Field Office was selected for a National Civil Rights review sometime the end of May.

**Next Meeting:** *June 3rd, 2013 3:30 p.m. Courthouse Montevideo MN*