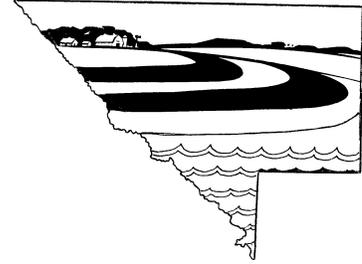


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Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting April 6, 2015

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

Meeting was **called to order** by Chairman Steve Sunderland at 3:00 p.m.

Members **present**: Schuler, Sunderland, Eisenlohr, Kittelson, Roelofs.

Others **present**: SWCD staff: Tom Warner, Desirae Sharp, Zach Bothun; NRCS staff: Shantel Lozinski; County Commissioners: Matt Gilbertson, Jeff Lopez

M/S/P Kittelson, Roelofs approve the agenda/with additions.

M/S/P Kittelson, Schuler approve the March 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

Tom reported:

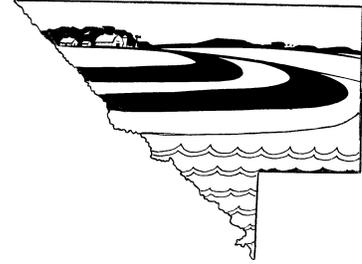
- Tom reported that we have been approved for another contribution agreement. We are allowed up to \$12,840 for wetland work in 2015.
- Tom discussed a cost share contract for Greg Monson.
 - M/S/P Schuler, Roelofs approve \$400 cost share for well sealing for Greg Monson, Kragero 10, contract 15-2.
- Tom Monthly Activities
 - WCA: attended WCA Admin training in Marshall on 3/5, filled out & sent WCA Notice of Decision for Fiesta Facility Solar Project, working with consultant Greg Goeser on a couple of wetland banking sites/applications, looked at site for the Montevideo Industrial Development Committee for possible wetland banking
 - Trees are coming in April 22, landowners have been coming in about tree plantings, visited sites, ordered more trees
 - RIM: worked on a couple of ownership changes, checked on haying on RIM land, worked with landowner on RIM food plots
 - Attended Area 2 meeting in Alex & attended planning meeting for 5th grade field days

Desirae reported:

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- Desirae reported that women's field day has been set for June 18th at Memorial Park near Granite Falls. This year's theme is "Women Dig Mussels".
 - M/S/P Kittelson, Schuler approve to continue women's field days and set a budget for up to \$600.
- Desirae reported that 5th grade field days has been (tentatively) set for May 28-29.
- Desirae reported that Kids in the Community has been set for May 6 at various locations in town.
- Desirae reported that staff had a meeting with our Aflac representative and some had changed their policies.
- Desirae reported about Kleinbank CD and account access.
 - M/S/P Kittelson, Roelofs approve to have Desirae and Tom added to account for CD for information & signing purposes.
- Desirae reported that Chippewa SWCD is hosting the WCMASWCD Area II meeting on June 10th. She is looking into places around Alexandria as that is a central location.
- Desirae noted that the NACD poster material had been ordered.

Zach Reported:

- Zach noted that NWTF granted \$5000 toward seed drill purchase.
- Zach asked about planting & mobilization fees for seed drill. Board recommended he put some together and present them at next board meeting.
- Zach presented the FBAP Solicitation of Interest.
 - M/S/P Roelofs, Schuler approved to keep FBAP at 50% as it is currently.
- Zach has been working on a RIM Grassland Easement and a well sealing contract as well as WIA landowner agreements
- Zach attended Lqp LTT meeting, Area II meeting, Native Prairie seeding Training

Shantel's Report:

- Shantel reported that new State Con Cathee Pullman will be starting May 17th
- Shantel discussed ongoing building security concerns
- Shantel has been busy with CRP Planning, CSP interviews/CMT tool, and 1026s. She did a radio spot on KDMA for the Corn-Soybean Assn. on March 5th and attended a soil health meeting @ the DNR headquarters on March 4th.

OTHER:

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Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: May 4, 2015 3:00 p.m. @ Courthouse