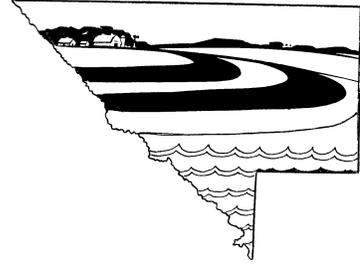


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## Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting July 7, 2014 Chippewa County Courthouse

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

Meeting was **called to order** by Chairman Dawn Schuler at 3:00 p.m.

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

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

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

M/S/P Kittelson, Eisenlohr approve the June 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 presented the new well observation agreement stating that there is a \$600 yearly max and the SWCD receives \$30 per well read.
  - M/S/P Eisenlohr, Kittelson approve to continue to have the SWCD participate in well observation.
- Tom discussed the BWSR Corrective Actions/Grant Review Meeting. He notified the board of the auditors finding and her suggested corrective actions. Desirae and Tom will be writing the corrective actions and presenting them at the next meeting.
- Tom discussed the end of our 2013 cost share grant. Left over grant money will be applied to TAA if it falls under allowed amount.
- M/S/P Kittelson, Roelofs Accept 2014-2015 Farmbill grant for \$22,500.

#### **Desirae reported:**

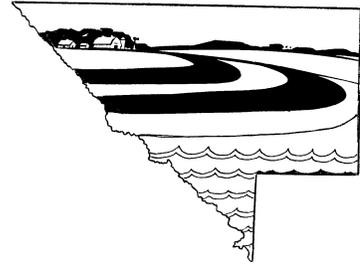
- Desirae discussed 5<sup>th</sup> grade field days bussing. Bussing had been previously offered to be reimbursed by the SWCD as a result of the economy a few years back. Was decided to

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either keep as is or don't offer but if the schools ask then extend the offer. Will discuss more in February.

- Jenn came in and explained more details about the Envirothon and how it works. It was decided to have Jenn continue to contact the schools about a team with her possibly being the leader and to check into local 4H groups to see if there is any interest.
- Desirae informed the board that there is no scholarship money for our area for the MASWCD Leadership Program. It was decided no one would attend this year.
- Desirae & Shantel discussed our women's field day event. There was a great turn out despite the weather.
- Desirae, Zach, Tom & Shantel reported to the board about the WC MASWCD Area II meeting that was held June 18, 2014. Next meeting to be a legislative forum, hosted by Morrison County in September 2014.
- The board discussed possible candidates for Conservationist of the Year. Decided to not appoint one this year.
- Presented and gave the board their MASWCD President/Vice President nomination packets
- Desirae reported her monthly activities including but not limited to: payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable, meetings attended, and women's field days.

### Zach's report:

- Attended a LQP Local Technical Meeting, did CREP spot checks, picked up his LincPass card in Minneapolis, spoke with landowners about RIM & CRP

### Shantel's Report:

- Shantel reported about CSP contracting, 1026s, weekly crop report, going to the MASWCD meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>, women's field days on the 19<sup>th</sup>, CSP field verifications, Shakopee structure damage, and talked about routing some shelterbelts through EQIP

### OTHER:

Meeting adjourned.

***Next Meeting: August 4, 2014 3:00 p.m. Courthouse***