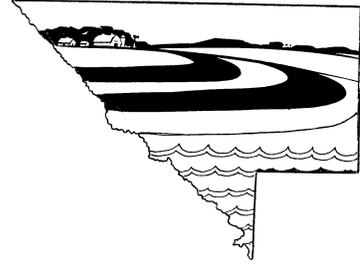


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Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting September 8, 2014 Chippewa County Courthouse

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, Eisenlohr.

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

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

M/S/P Eisenlohr, Sunderland approve the August 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 a cost share payment contracted project for Robin Spaude.
 - M/S/P Sunderland, Roelofs to approve Robin Spaude (Granite Falls Section 1) (Contract 14-01) payment for a lined waterway (468) with a cost share total of \$3253.49 (21% of total cost).
- Tom discussed two CREP wetland restorations and two possible fall tree planting sites. He reported that we met with the county commissioners to present our 2014 budget request. He has continued to work on WCA drainage requests & 1026s, reviewed project application, and attended several meetings. He also did site visits and filled out the forms for Chippewa County tax forfeit parcels.

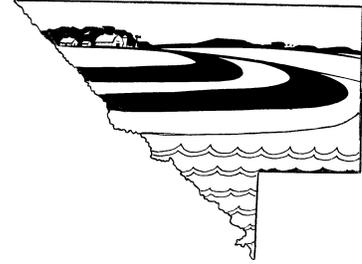
Desirae reported:

- Desirae noted that Julie Krebs and David Sill would be holding a BWSR Administrative Training for SWCDs in the area on September 16 at the Chippewa County Courthouse Assembly Room
- Desirae presented BWSR Academy to be held at Breezy Point October 28-30, 2014

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- M/S/P Eisenlohr, Roelofs to approve all expenses for the attendance of BWSR Academy for Tom, Zach, and Desirae.
- Old Business: Quickbooks-discussed with the board the quoted cost to work with Dana F. Cole on updating and improving our Quickbooks. Board agreed to start working with Ann.
- Tom & Desirae reported that we have not heard back on the 2015 budget
- Desirae discussed her monthly activities which included but are not limited to: regular financial duties, contacted Dana Cole for quickbooks, sent in rain gauge reports, met with commissioners to discuss budget, put together 6 years of budget data for commissioners, mailed & filed CREP site inspection forms, created 2015 budget, registered for WC MASWCD Area II mtg, & BWSR Admin Training, put together rain gauge precip recording package for our new volunteer recorder, helped Zach with Little People's Garden @ Kinder Kare

Zach's report:

- Zach mailed & filed CREP spot check forms, did some CRP site visits, attended LWG & WRAPS meetings, MN River Valley LTT & FBAP Teleconferences, waiting for more RIM funding as there is still interest, contacted Rep. Andrew Falk to invite jim to our Area II mtg, did CRP mid-contract, tree removal, & mowing jobs, went to KinderKare to do leaf rub activity for Little People's Garden, worked on CWF grant.

Shantel's Report:

- Shantel has been working on CRP plans for re-enrollment & new land, reporting, 1026s, went to tillage field day, joint ditch 18 mtg, EWP application for structure & emergency spillway, will be doing application, up to 75% cost share if possible.

OTHER:

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: October 6, 2014 3:00 p.m. Courthouse