

Morrison SWCD Board Meeting  
Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
9:00 a.m.

Present: Supervisors Anez, Holmgren, Dahmen, Brutscher, and Stangl.  
Commissioner Don Meyer. Staff: McLennan and Ringwelski. Guests: Doug Manthei and Lee Schlosser, Supervisors from Sherburne SWCD.

Secretary's Minutes: MSC by Holmgren/Stangl to approve as read.

Treasurer's Minutes: MSC by Brutscher/Dahmen to approve as presented.

Staff Reports: Helen reported that an environmental review had been ordered for John Holtz/Janet Sanderson. The tree certifications were almost completed and a couple of revisions in payments would be made to not complying with plans. Spot checks were due on 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 9 year contracts. They would be divided by ¼ of the county and start being done along with other work.

Alan reported that Gene Retka's terraces and sed basins were nearly complete. Jerry Kapsner project was underway. There were several shoreline erosion projects that were being looked at. The Brian Sams 319 project was completed on Fishtrap Lake.

County Commissioner Report: Don Meyer said that 4 finalists would be interviewed on June 8<sup>th</sup>. They were also still struggling with whether they could combine the County Treasurer position with existing offices. The unallotment would affect all areas of county budgeting.

Guests: Sherburne SWCD Supervisors Lee and Doug shared some of the conflicts they were seeing in their district and the reluctance to change by staff and seasoned board members. They were visiting other districts to get a sense of what and how things were handled by other counties. Good discussion was exchanged.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. RC and D Report – Claude Dahmen reported that they had applied for \$12,000,000 from the stimulus package from Collin Pederson. Smokey Timbers might become managed by Miltona Lake Association.
2. WCA Report – 33 sites were reviewed by the Birds Eye View flyover and 13 of those were unpermitted or resolved. Helen will be going out on the sites with the officers assigned to that area.
3. Tree Program summary: Jenni provided a summary of the 2009 tree program showing a profit of \$32,052.93, which was \$8679.93 more than previous year.
4. Water Plan Update – Board appointment was made of Tom Brutscher who is also an irrigator and can serve that interest as well. Claude will attend some times as well representing Don Meyer's appointment. He said the meeting conflicted with RC&D some of the time.

5. ACUB Update: Helen shared that the \$750,000 of 2009 funds were committed and Camp should be hearing soon of year end funding. Most contracts existing were nearly completed.
6. Signs for the district: Helen showed one of the signs recently done by Froggy's Sign Co. and will ask Sentence to Serve to put them up.
7. Amendment to 33-08: MSC by Stangl/Brutscher to approve an increase of \$96.65 to Don Traut's contract due to a row of potted stock added to the windbreak.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. State Cost Share Applications: MSC by Dahmen/Stangl to approve the following.
  - a. #41-08 Dale Doucette – well decommissioning \$212.50
  - b. #42-08 Celestine Gall – terrace repair \$1,500.00
2. State Cost Share Payments: MSC by Stangl/Brutscher to approve payments for:
 

16-08 Robert Anderson	380	\$2,499.23
18-08 Susan Santiago	380	454.44
21-08 Don Vogt	380	831.37
23-08 Mark Reimer	380	324.61
24-08 Gary McDuffee	380	239.71
25-08 Rita Gorecki Trust	well seal	240.03
27-08 Damian Schlegekl	380	\$1,391.00
29-08 Rod Winscher	380	324.61
31-08 Russ Nygren	380	357.07
37-08 Travis Holm	380	275.07
39-08 Andy Thielen	380	643.50
41-08 Jerry Theisen	380	514.31
33-08 Don Traut	380	486.18
3. General Permit for DNR resurrected : Due to the request for river bar structures for shoreline erosion DNR reissued the general permit authority for those practices overseen by the SWCD or NRCS.
4. Joint Powers Work Agreement for new technical service area
  - a. Meeting of new board on June 4<sup>th</sup> at Area 2 meeting
  - b. Meeting of old board to dissolve current JPB on June 11<sup>th</sup> in Stearns Co.
5. Vacation approval for Helen June 22-26 MSC by Holmgren/Stangl
  - a. change June meeting date? The meeting date will remain as scheduled.

Meeting adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

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