

MORRISON SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Thursday, September 24, 2009
8:30 a.m.
USDA County Offices

Present: Supervisors Anez, Holmgren, Dahmen, Brutscher, and Stangl. Staff Zapzalka and McLennan. Commissioner Don Meyer.

Secretary's Minutes: MSC to approve as read by Dahmen/Brutscher.
Treasurer's Report: MSC by Stangl/Dahmen to approve as presented.
Staff Reports:

Terry said the filter strip was nearing completion on Treve Sauers. Bob Meehl's ag waste is done. The Hennen site is finally looking better and the leechade is finally fixed. NRCS held 3 CSP info meetings in the county but only got 9 people totally. They have 30 applications already though so the radio news worked. There has been some reported H1N1 flu reported within the agency.

Helen shared the technical report in Alan's absence and gave an ACUB update. They are working the Cass County land as well as Morrison and helping Crow Wing. She also shared the news concerning the county's funding withdrawal for Crow Wing SWCD and how that will affect their office.

County Board Report – Don Meyer shared that the board had approved the combining of the Auditor/Treasurer position. They dropped the Nuisance Ordinance. They also proposed a 0 levy increase but that means two years of no increases on staff contracts.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Area 2 Report – Bob, Claude, Marvin shared the BWSR report, a \$1,000 donation to the envirothon. Next meeting will be in Morris on Nov. 5th.
2. WCTSA Report – Marvin (West Central Technical Service Area) Marvin said the meeting was 20 minutes long and they elected a vice chairman. Ross gave his report and so far the work in the additional counties had been minimal.
3. Water Plan Report: Helen shared that they were nearing the end of the agency reports and would begin the re-write very soon with a Feb. projected public hearing and County Board approval. Then it needs to get to BWSR by March. She is working with Tim Crocker to hold a presentation for a Geologic Atlas.
4. Water Festival Report: The two day festival had been held on Sept. 22/23 and approximately 450 students attended. Things went off with little or no problems and a couple of new stations had been added to revitalize a couple of the stations.

5. Payment approval – Bob Meehl FWQ \$6,000 (feedlot water quality) MSC by Dahmen/Brutscher to approve payment.
6. Payment approval – FR. Tim Wenzel #3-09 \$322.50 MSC by Brutscher/Holmgren to approve payment.
7. Sherburne Manager Interviews: Helen shared that the board had interviewed 7 applicants and had fortunately agreed on their top choice. No second interview would be held. Sherburne SWCD will be reimbursing Morrison for the time and travel.
8. LCMR (Legislative Commission on MN Resources) report: Helen had attended a hearing for the BWSR submitted proposal on the ACUB flyway for migratory birds. Also attending were Dan Steward from BWSR, Marty Skoglund and Colonel Weaver from Camp.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Grant Agreement Approval: MSC by Brutscher/Holmgren to approve.
2. Labor Standards Training report: Helen shared the training taught her that entities with less than 21 employees did not have to include Family Medical Leave Act provisions in their employee policy. She asked the board to mull that over and determine if they wanted to leave it in the district's policy.
3. State Cost Share Application approval: #04-09 Don Meyer – Diversion MSC by Holmgren/Dahmen to approve up to \$2,500.
4. BWSR Academy – November 2 – 4 MSC by Holmgren/Dahmen to approve attendance by all four employees as requested.
5. Audit: Helen shared that the auditors will present the audit to the board upon completion.
6. Well Sealing contract approval: Joanne Eason well decommissioning \$440.00. MSC by Holmgren/Brutscher.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Claude Dahmen, Secretary