



Sibley SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINNESOTA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Minutes of the Sibley Soil and Water Conservation District, 111 6th Street, Gaylord, MN 55334,
October 11, 2016.

Meeting was called to order by Chair – Nielsen at 4:00 P.M.

Members Present: Chair, Robert Nielsen
Vice-Chair, Wayne Grams - Absent
Secretary, Kathleen Thies
Treasurer, Gary Schafer
Member, Paul Wiemann

Others Present: District Technician/Water Planner, Ron Otto - Absent
District Technician, Joel Wurscher
NRCS District Conservationist, April Sullivan
Niccollet/Sibley Administrative Assistant, Melissa Lancaster
District Manager, Kevin Ostermann - Absent
Rush River/High Island Coordinator, Colten Dreger

Upon a motion by Thies and seconded by Wiemann, it was moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes Schafer, Thies, Wiemann, Nielsen. Carried

Upon a motion by Schafer and seconded by Thies, it was moved to approve the minutes of the September 2016 meeting. Ayes Schafer, Thies, Wiemann, Nielsen. Carried

Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Schafer, it was moved to approve 29 paid bills for September 2016 totaling \$27,413.74. Ayes Schafer, Thies, Wiemann, Nielsen. Carried

Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Thies, it was moved to approve the October 2016 Treasurer's Report subject to audit. Ayes, Schafer, Thies, Wiemann, Nielsen. Carried

Old Business: none

Cost Share:

The Board received a cancellation request for Cost-Share contract Alice Pfarr FY15-12. After reviewing the contract, staff noticed that the work on the well-sealing project was completed on her property before the contract was signed and approved by the Board. Upon a motion by Thies

and seconded by Schafer it was moved to approve cancellation for Alice Pfarr FY15-12 due to work being completed before Board approval. Ayes Nielsen, Schafer, Thies, Wiemann,. Carried

Cost-Share contract FY15-15 Jerome Ehlers Well Sealing is complete. Landowner is requesting final payment in the amount of \$348.50. Upon a motion by Schafer and seconded by Thies it was moved to approve Jerome Ehlers FY15-15 in the amount of \$348.50. Ayes Nielsen, Schafer, Thies, Wiemann. Carried

The District received a request from Franz Schauer FR14P2-9 to enter into a Cost-Share contract for a water and sediment control basin on his property. Total estimated cost of the project is \$24,052.60 with Cost-Share amount at 100% of the project cost and TA of \$6,013.15. Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Thies it was moved to approve Franz Schauer FR14P2-9 Cost-Share assistance of \$24,052.60 with TA of \$6,013.15. Ayes Nielsen, Schafer, Thies, Wiemann. Carried

Implementation Plan for FY 17 cost-share & FY capacity dollars, buffer & cover crops (see attached): BWSR has approved the Implementation Plan for FY-17 cost-share & FY capacity dollars, buffer & cover crops. Final approval by the Board is needed to complete the process and implement the plan. Upon a motion by Theis, and seconded by Shafer it was moved to approve FY17 cost-share & FY capacity dollars, buffer & cover crops. Ayes Nielsen, Schafer, Thies, Wiemann. Carried

2017 NACD Dues: Upon a motion by Schafer and seconded by Weimann, it was moved to approve payment of the annual NACD dues in the amount of \$775.00. Ayes Nielsen, Schafer, Thies, Wiemann. Carried

NRCS Report – April Sullivan reported - see attached.

Supervisor & Staff Report: Dreger reported on the County's restructuring of offices and reported that he will attend a Water Resource Conference in St. Cloud. Wursher reported on the Clear Lake Damn meeting, and other meetings that he had attended. He also met with DNR on streambank.

Other Business: There was discussion regarding the donation for the MASWCD conference. Schafer will take responsibility for ideas to present at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: November 9, 4:00 p.m.

Adjourn: Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Schafer, it was moved to adjourn the meeting. Ayes Schafer, Thies, Wiemann, Nielsen. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Approved: November 9, 2016

Secretary