

SHERIDAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MONTHLY
BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2004 @ 9:00 A.M.
USDA BUILDING

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Wivholm, Chairman,. Those present were Jon Bolstad, Bruce Jacobsen, Rom Hedges, supervisors, Monica Friedrich of NRCS, Mickey and Thelma from the District.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Already Paid		Need Approval	
Postmaster (T. Wagner)	4.42	Jeff Wivholm (MACD)	253.80
Valley Tele	46.77	KATQ	25.00
Ruebs (Big Mud Mtg)	8.50		
Postmaster (roll, 3@.60, 4@.36&3.70)	43.98		
M. McCall	810.91		
T. Williams	808.38	DEPOSITS IN M. FUND	
EZ Bakery (Work Group)	9.90	Tommerup Mach.	300.00
Tim Holte (MACD)	220.35	Max Aasheim (Aerway)	440.00
Hans Larsen (Cons. Picture)	100.00	SC Treas. (Dec.)	1961.55
Jens Sundsted	107.70	DEPOSITS IN CHECK 1-6-04	3000.
NACD (Newsletter)	270.77		

Bruce made the motion to approve the bills already paid and to pay all need approval bills. Rom seconded. Carried.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 2004:

Bruce made the motion to accept the minutes. Rom seconded. Carried.

NRCS – MONICA:

Letters were sent to 80 operators asking if they were still interested in EQIP. We have 46 applications that need to be ranked.

Friday, (Feb. 13, 2004) Cons. Security Program Tele Conference. This program rewards the operator for practices already in place. There is 41 million for the whole U.S.

Work group meeting- The will be no cost share for oil seed crops but the cost share remains for legumes. No additional points for noxious weeds in cropland. All the points went to grazing lands.

February 24 the USFW will hold a meeting at the Blue Moon. The meeting will be from (a.m. to 3:45 p.m... Tom Connolly is in charge of the meeting and will explain the programs he has available.

Engineering: Randy will meet with Dave White to discuss the workload. Our county has 28 projects the area engineer will sign off after the local field office does the engineering. Continuous CRP- The board signed two continuous CRP tree plans for Robert Hallesy.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN: - Mickey McCall

Mickey attended the watershed meeting in Great Falls. He will schedule the next watershed meeting for the Big Muddy for early March. At that meeting hopefully a board can be appointed.

Tech. Committee- Letters to operators seeking a new ground water permit have been sent. The letters contain the tech committee's recommendations.

RC&D – Mickey attended the RC&D meeting in Sidney. A committee was formed to decide how and why the RC&D should be split. It consists of 16 counties at present. Will it be split 8 & 8 or will it be split with watershed areas?

Mickey is unable to read the wells due to weather conditions.

GIS Training- Mickey has signed up for GIS training in Miles City in March.

Mickey mentioned Jeff Soderquist, Randy Holtan, Craig Andersen and Mark Shoal as a possible urban supervisor from Plentywood. He will visit with Jeff to see if he is interested.

NEW BUSINESS:

T. Wagner – the board decided to wait until March to make a decision on the bill.

Wagner was sent several statements and then sent a certified letter on 1-14-04. He did not pick up the letter. Chairman Wivholm talked with him by phone and he stated he would contact the office to arrange payments by the first week in February. We have not received any type of contact from Mr. Wagner as of February 10, 2004.

Research Farm- Dinner meeting @ Blue Moon on February 15 at 6:00 p.m.

NACD dues- the board decided to pay \$500.

MACD dues- the board authorized paying the full amount \$660.22 plus 25.00 for PMC.

Computer- NASCA misplaced our order for the Gateway computer. We sent the order Fed X. It was received and signed for but misplaced or lost. After corresponding with Gale Martin and receiving no satisfaction Gene Whittaker was contacted. He assures us we will be able to purchase the computer with a few extras at \$200 more than the original price offered thru NASCA.

Supervisors Election- Bruce stated he does not wish to run again. Gene Tefre and Eldon Krogstad were mentioned as possible replacements. Also Kent and Tim are up for election.

Legal Council funds- Jeff signed a request for legal funds. We will apply for more water under the Water Reservation for the District. We will not need the funds until early 2005.

Supervisor mileage- The supervisors approved the mileage reports

APO – We will review the new APO at the March meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE & PASS AROUND FILES:

The supervisors looked through the files.

ADJOURNMENT:

Rom made the motion to adjourn. Jon seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved

Thelma Williams
Office Manager

Jeff Wivholm, Chairman
Date: