

SHERIDAN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
 JANUARY 13, 2003 @ 9:00 A.M.
 USDA BUILDING

CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Jeff Wivholm, Chairman. Those present Kent Nathe, Tim Holte, Rom Hedges, Bruce Jacobsen, supervisors; Tim Solberg, NRCS; M. McCall and Thelma from the District.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Already Paid		Need Approval	
Laura Belle (mtg)	28.00	E-Z Bakery	7.45
Jon Bolstad (Billings)	499.75		
Laura Belle (tech mtg)	57.00		
Blue Moon	470.00		
Valley Tele	45.96		
Bucky McCoy (tech mtg)	6.60	Dep in M. Fund	
Mike Westergard (Dick Iversen)	175.00	Roosevelt (dprize)	5.00
T. Williams	1093.13	ST RRG-00-1102	7954.77
T. Williams	516.98	Daniels, Garfield	10.00
M. McCall	1131.37	SC Treas (Nov)	4700.11 Pet. 5.00
M. McCall (reg MACD Conv)	108.00	St Admin grant	1604.80
M. McCall (watershed)	418.66	St -MACD scholarship	364.35
KATQ (2 month)	50.00	T.Williams	175.00
MT St Fund	45.28	DEP in Check 12-9-03	3000.00
Mt. Dept Rev	247.41	12-31-03	3500.00
Mt. St Bank (Tax dep)	1356.20		
Hi Line (GPS)	369.90		

Tim made the motion to accept bills already paid and to pay the need approval bills. Bruce seconded. Carried.

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2003:

Kent made the motion to approve the minutes. Tim seconded. Carried.

NRCS – Tim Solberg:

Letters have been sent to the 80 previous EQIP applicants asking if they are still interested in an EQIP contract. These applicants did not make the funding ranking before. Strand WRP- Enbridge wants NRCS to pay to reroute their pipeline. The cost would be about \$324,000. They do not want their pipeline under water. The state will work with Enbridge on the possibility of installing structures for draining.

The board signed a sod buster for Cory Sampsen, Cons. Plan for Dave Rasmussen, sod buster for Darin Marsh, cons. Plan for Tom Jorgensen and an EQIP mod for Rom Hedges.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN – Mickey

Mickey gave copies of the minutes from the Tech. Committee meeting to the board members. Tim made the motion to accept the recommendations of the Tech. Committee on Marlowe Onstad SC-022 and to approve the continuation of the application process. (The recommendations are: The SAR is on the high end of the scale so an additional water quality test is necessary, an additional soil test is required in the spring of 2004.) Bruce seconded. Carried.

Roger Schmitz application SC-026. Tim made the motion to accept the technical Committee recommendations and to proceed with the application. (The Tech. Committee recommends additional monitoring of area wells, Schmitz needs to improve water use records and make them available to the district, move forward on the application and show progress on a regular basis, allow one irrigating season to collect necessary data, advise Mr. Schmitz that he needs approval from Sheridan County to install pipe across the county road and he is required to notify the district of the aquifer test. Kent seconded. Carried.

David Skillingberg SC-029. Tim made the motion to accept the recommendation of the tech. committee and proceed with application. Bruce seconded. Carried. The Tech Committee is concerned about water quality and soil compatibility so they want NRCS to do soil testing in the spring of 2002. Additional water samples need to be taken, it will require change of water use as it is not identified in the Districts original application, also the tech committee recommends extending the completion deadline for the aquifer test from March 20, 2004 to June 10, 2004 and the district will need to be notified of the aquifer test schedule in advance.

Rick Sampsen SC-030. Tim made the motion to accept the Tech, Committee recommendations and proceed with the application. Kent seconded. Carried. The recommendations request water quality test, notify area well owners. The deadline for the aquifer test is June 10, 2004. He is required to notify the district of the aquifer test schedule in advance.

Orvis Nelson – SC-028

Tim made the motion to accept the recommendations of the Tech. Committee and proceed with application following the recommendations. Kent Seconded. Carried. The aquifer test will need to be 2-3 days; Jon Reiten needs to be present at well drilling and during the aquifer test. An aquifer test schedule needs to be sent to the district in advance.

Mickey attended the Watershed Symposium in Great Falls.

Mickey stated due to the snow he is unable to get to about 48 wells.

Mickey will schedule a watershed meeting Jan. 23 in the afternoon.

Mickey plans to attend the CRM meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Research Farm meeting Feb. 15, 2004 @ 6:00 p.m. Blue Moon.

The supervisors were in agreement that the Research farm pays for the dinner meeting. Sheridan County would like to get an agreement with the ARS to continue to use the farm for research. Our district is in favor of moving some money into an interest bearing account. It was also suggested setting up a scholarship for a 2nd yr. Ag student.

CRM Mtg. - Jan 22 @ 8:30 a.m. in Fort Peck- Jeff will try to attend;

Work Group Mtg Jan. 27th. Tim made the motion to send letters out for a work group meeting. Kent seconded. Carried. Jeff signed the letter.

Outstanding tree planting bill- Tim made the motion to send out a return receipt letter to T. Wagner requesting payment. Kent seconded. Carried. Jeff signed the letter.

Reorganize the board- Rom made a motion to retain the present officers. Kent seconded. Carried.

PASS AROUND & CORRESPONDENCE FILE:

The supervisors looked through the files.

Adjournment:

Tim made the motion for adjournment. Bruce seconded. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved,

Thelma Williams
Office Manager

Jeff Wivholm, Chairman
Date: