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**SWIFT COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

# MINUTES FROM THE April 16, 2019 BOARD MEETING

The regular meeting of the Swift County SWCD was held in the FSA Building Conference Room, Benson Minnesota April 16th, 2019.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

President – Dale Schlieman

Vice President – Mark Weimerskirch

Secretary – Carl Ahrndt

Treasurer – Orvin Gronseth

P & I – Scott Olson

**Abse**nt: None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Sheri Gades SWCD, Andy Albertsen SWCD, Dalton Herrboldt SWCD, Ed Pederson County Commissioner, Jon Matz NRCS.

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 A.M. by President – Dale Schlieman

**Motion was made by Gronseth and second by Weimerskirch to approve Scott Olson as new Board member retroactive to the March 14, 2019 meeting.**

**Affirmative: All Motion carried**.

**Motion was made** **by Gronseth seconded by Olson** **to approve the Secretary Report and the Agenda.**

**Affirmative: All Motion carried**.

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:**

**2019 CWF Contract for Service – Pomme de Terre:** We need to enter in the contract for services for the SWCD.

**Motion was made** **by Olson seconded by Weimerskirch to approve signing the Contract for Services with the Pomme de Terre River.**

**Affirmative: All Motion carried**

**MDA Pesticide Monitoring:** 2019 May 1- August 31 we will monitor site on the Shakopee Creek during that time frame. We will be taking 9 – 18 samples through the summer. They will reimburse us $1300 for the time we put in on monitoring.

**Motion was made** **by Gronseth seconded by Ahrndt to sign the agreement to do monitoring for the MDA.**

**Affirmative: All Motion carried**

**MASWCD Area 2 Survey:** Was handed out to each Board member to take home and fill out to be brought back to the next meeting. It is requesting ideas on how to improve meetings and speakers.

**Contact List:** Each Board member is to put their contact information down so that we can keep them informed of what is happening in the office or if we need to reschedule a meeting, we have all numbers to contact them.

**Introduction of Board to Jon Matz NRCS AC:** Jon gave an update on the staff hiring process and where are in getting a full time NRCS staff in the office. He explained how the organization is now structured, operational agreements are close to being ready to be worked on again.

**Farm Bill Biologist – None**

**District Technician – Dalton Herrboldt:**

* Taking tree orders as they come in. Currently we have 5 plantings scheduled
* Tree pickup day is May 3rd
* Working on the drills to get them ready for the upcoming season
* We have 6 replants for CRP and 3 buffer planting that want to use the drills
* There are 5 seed orders currently

**District Manager** **– Andy Albertsen:**

* Handed out print out of ongoing projects and things going on
* CRWP – No staff any longer. They owe BWSR between $84,000 - $116,00.00
* Pomme de Terre – Continuing to work on 1W1P
* Water Plan – Meeting on April 18th
* Watershed Conservation Planner meeting coming up
* Handed out draft of Bylaws, Operating Rules and Guidelines to all the Supervisors to review. We will go through it possibly at the May meeting.

**NRCS – Melanie Dickmann: None**

**Financial Reports:**

Reviewed deposits, bills to be paid.

**Motion was made** **by Ahrndt seconded by Orvin to approve financial report.**

**Affirmative: All Motion carried**.

Sheri passed out a Qtr. 1 report on how the District is doing financially to each Board member to review and ask questions.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2019 at 8:00 am.

**APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ DATE SECRETARY**