

**SWIFT COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES FROM THE June 15, 2015 BOARD MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Swift County SWCD was held in the FSA Building Conference Room, Benson Minnesota, on June 15, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

President – Dale Schlieman
Vice Chair – Mark Weimerskirch
Secretary – Clinton Schuerman
Treasurer - Orvin Gronseth

Absent: P & I - Carl Ahrndt

OTHERS PRESENT: Sheri Gades, SWCD, Will Clayton PF, and Randy Schmiesing NRCS, Edward Pederson County Commissioner, Tom Orr SWCD, Jason Beckler BWSR.

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

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

Affirmative: All Motion carried.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Jim Schlieman Fabric Cost Share: Close out cost share for fabric 2015-03 on tree planting in Moyer Section 10. Total cost was \$1860.00 his cost share was \$1395.00.

Motion was made by Weimerskirch seconded by Schuerman to approve the close out of Jim Schlieman Fabric Cost Share 2015-03 for the amount of \$1395.00.

Affirmative: All Motion carried.

Kevin Wersinger Fabric Cost Share: Close out cost share for fabric 2015-01 on tree planting in Six Mile Grove Section 17. Total cost was \$1270.00 his cost share was \$952.00.

Motion was made by Schuerman seconded by Weimerskirch to approve the close out of Kevin Wersinger Fabric Cost Share 2015-01 for the amount of \$1395.00.

Affirmative: All Motion carried

Cody Olson State Cost Share: Close out State Cost Share 2014-04 on tree planting in Westbank Section 20. Total cost was \$1854 his cost share was \$1390.50.

Motion was made by Schuerman seconded by Weimerskirch to approve the close out of Cody Olson State Cost Share 2014-04 for the amount of \$1390.50.

Affirmative: All Motion carried

Guy Koehl State Cost Share: Close out State Cost Share 2014-04 on tree planting in Westbank Section 20. Total cost was \$1854 his cost share was \$1390.50.

Motion was made by Schuerman seconded by Weimerskirch to approve the close out of Guy Koehl State Cost Share 2014-04 for the amount of \$1390.50.

Affirmative: All Motion carried

2013 State Cost Share Close Out: We need to sign and submit the close out forms to be submitted.
Motion was made by Schuerman seconded by Weimerskirch to approve the close out of 2013 State Cost Share.
Affirmative: All Motion carried

Fair Booth: We will have the same 15' booth for the amount of \$130.00.
Motion was made by Schuerman seconded by Weimerskirch to approve the Fair Booth at the Swift County Fair.
Affirmative: All Motion carried

Area 2 Report: There was a change voted on to change the term limit of offices. There is no longer a 2 year term limit. Also the new buffering law was discussed.

Jason Beckler: Jason introduced himself to the Board as the new Board Conservationist for our area. He is replacing David Sill who retired. He also gave a brief over view of the new Buffer Law and what it can mean for the districts.

NRCS – Randy Schmiesing:

- EQIP: Received funding for a hog composting facility
- CSP: None funded in Swift County due to low scoring points
- 1026: There were 17 requests as at this time.
- WRE: No applications
- CRP: Will and Rick are determining eligibility for re-enrollements and developing conservation plans.
- Working Lands Group meet on July 9th after Board meeting.

Farm Bill – Will Clayton:

- **CRP:** Doing site visits for eligibility and suitability
- **RIM/Wetlands:** Anderson title issues being worked on. Benson's contract has been signed
- **WIA:** Two contracts

District Technician - Tom Orr:

- Pomme de Terre project is on hold due to water levels being high.
- There is money for projects through the Pomme de Terre.
- Pomme de Terre is having a tour of the river on July 7th and July 13th to canoe down different parts of the river.
- Drill has 33 producers signed up so far. There is approximately 725 acres.

Financial Report:

Reviewed deposits, bills to be paid.

Motion was made by Schuerman seconded by Weimerskirch to approve the Treasurer's report subject to audit and pay bills.

Affirmative: All Motion carried

Next meeting is scheduled for **July 9th at 8:00 am.**

APPROVED:

DATE

SECRETARY