

**COTTONWOOD SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES
February 26, 2009**

The Cottonwood Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting at the District Office, Windom, MN on February 26, 2009. The meeting was called to order by Clark Lingbeek at 9:30 a.m.

Members Present: Chairman, Clark Lingbeek
Vice Chairman, Ron Tibodeau
Secretary, Verlyn Nickel
Treasurer, Tom Muller
PR & I, Jim Bloch

Others Present: District Administrator, Kay Clark
District Technician, Dave Bucklin
District Program Assistant, Lori Mickelson
NRCS District Conservationist, April Sullivan
Commissioner Ron Kuecker
Southwest Prairie JPO staff Mike Skoglund and Russell Hoogendoorn

Members Absent: None

MINUTES: Motion by Muller, second by Bloch to approve the minutes from the January, 2009 Meeting.

Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Nickel, Muller and Bloch.

Opposed: None.

Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Motion by Muller, second by Tibodeau, to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay the February bills totaling \$3,231.93 and file for audit.

Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Nickel, Muller and Bloch.

Opposed: None.

Motion carried.

Verlyn Nickel left at 9:35 a.m.

RCRCA: No Meeting.

GBERBA: Clark and Bucklin

SOUTHWEST PRAIRIE JPO: Presentation by Mike Skoglund and Russell Hoogendoorn.

RC&D: Bloch.

MASWCD: Lingbeek.

COMMISSIONER REPORT: Kuecker.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Kay Clark

STATE COST-SHARE CONTRACT APPROVAL

Burton Stoesz	08-11	Midway 27	Farmstead Windbreak	Cost	\$800.00	C-S	\$ 600.00
Don Olson	08-12	Springfield 21	Critical Area Planting	Cost	\$13,135.00	C-S	\$7,500.00
Don Olson	08-13	Springfield 21	Field Windbreak	Cost	\$4,460.00	C-S	\$3,343.00
Darrell Graff*	08-14	Germantown 36	Field Windbreak	Cost	\$755.00	C-S	\$566.00

*Combined with FY09 Funding

Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the State C-S contract 08-11 for Stoesz.

Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.

Opposed: None.

Motion carried.

Motion Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the State C-S contract 08-12 for Olson.

Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.

Opposed: None.

Motion carried.

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Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the State C-S contract 08-13 for Olson.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the State C-S contract 08-14 for Graff.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

STATE COST-SHARE NATIVE BUFFER CONTRACT APPROVAL

Aaron Walklin	08-02-NB	Midway 16	Native Grass Planting	Cost	\$11,025.00	C-S	\$8,268.75
Aaron Walklin	08-03-NB	Midway 16	Pasture Rental Payment	Cost	\$3,742.20		

Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the State C-S contract 08-02-NB for Walklin.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the State C-S contract 08-03-NB for Walklin.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

CWL COTTONWOOD RIVER WATERSHED CONTRACT APPROVAL

Anthony Quade	Storden 15	Grass Waterway	Cost	\$5,656.25	C-S	\$4,242.19
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Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the CWL Cottonwood River Watershed Contract for Quade.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

RIM EASEMENT MODIFICATIONS

#17-02-05-03	Duane and Barb Pingeon	Acres Acquired	0.21	MNDOT
#17-03-05-03	Doris Buhler, Paul and Nancy Buhler	Acres Acquired	0.42	MNDOT

Motion by Muller, second by Tibodeau to approve the acquisition of the acres by the MNDOT from the Pingeon and Buhler easements.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

2009 ANNUAL PLAN OF WORK

Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the submission of the 2009 Annual Plan of Work for the Cottonwood Soil and Water Conservation District.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

2008 FINANCIAL REPORT

Motion by Muller, second by Tibodeau to approve the submission of the 2008 Financial Report following Board review.
Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.
Opposed: None.
Motion carried.

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COPIER:

Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the purchase of a new copier on the recommendation of the SWCD staff. Purchase will be under \$11,000.00 (including tax) based on quotes received from Best Business Products and New Star Sales and Service.

Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.

Opposed: None.

Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR MEETINGS: March 12 – TMDL Meeting – Heron Lake; March 13 – GBERBA Policy Meeting – Mankato; March 16 – RCRC Meeting – Redwood Falls; March 26 - SWCD Board Meeting – Office.

SWCD EMPLOYEE MEETINGS: February 27 – Nutrient Meeting – Fairmont; March 3 – Commissioner Meeting – Windom; March 6 – Tree Presentation – Windom; March 6 – Amendment Meeting – Mankato; March 10-11 Water Festival – Mankato; March 12 – TMDL Meeting – Heron Lake; March 13 - GBERBA Policy Meeting – Mankato; March 14 – Farm & Home Show – Windom; March 25 – GBERBA Technical Meeting – Mankato; March 26 – SWCD Board Meeting – Windom; March 31 – Cottonwood/Redwood Meeting - Marshall.

Motion by Tibodeau, second by Muller to approve the Supervisor and Employee meetings and expenses for the month of March.

Affirmative: Lingbeek, Tibodeau, Muller and Bloch.

Opposed: None.

Motion carried.

EDUCATION REPORT: Lori Mickelson – Written Report

NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST: Annalie Plaetz – Written Report

TECHNICIAN REPORT: Dave Bucklin – Written Report

NRCS REPORT: April Sullivan, DC – Written Report

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was declared adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Next Meeting will be on March 26, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. at the District Office.

District Supervisor

District Administrator