

LYON SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
April 22, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7 PM by Chairman Meulebroeck
Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Supervisors Present: Nyquist, Prairie, Crowley, Mohn & Meulebroeck
Staff Present: Anderson, DeBeer, Louwagie, Thomazin
Lyon County Commissioner: Stensrud

Minutes of the March board meeting were reviewed as mailed.
Motion by Crowley, second by Prairie that the minutes be accepted as presented and filed in the official minute's record book. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Treasurers Report and Bills Payable:

Treasurers Report was reviewed by Anderson.

Bills payable were reviewed as presented.

Motion by Prairie, second by Nyquist that the Treasures Report be filed subject to Audit, that the Bills payable be approved for payment. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

State Convention Planning report: Anderson and Mohn discussed the process so far and the expectations of the district for the convention. It was decided that we would prefer to provide cash support for the breakfast and not have to bring items to the convention. It was suggested that we look for corporate donations for the costs. Committee members will check to see if that is possible.

Grazing Workshop update: It is progressing well. We will be getting more information and posters out, supervisors are assisting.

NEW BUSINESS

Conservation Farmer and other Awards for the county: Ideas presented were: Weedman Brothers, Greenfields, J. Wambeke, Scott & Debbie Thooft. Community Conservationist: Bredzinski

Other: There is a tree planting sign that Mark will look at that is in need of updating.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST REPORT

Jamie Thomazin

Mike Timmerman injured his leg and will be laid up for a while. Jamie and Gary will be picking up what he is unable to do.

WAE: Diane Doom will be working with us on the filing system

New CRP practice: CRP38, SAFE, and program to promote pheasant habitat. It is available for sign-up now.

1026 Drainage requests: seeing a lot of them with the wet spring.

HEL/Sod buster requests: on the increase as landowners want to crop as much as they can.

Gary Watson has been named the new Area conservationist, replacing Mike Appel. He will be starting in May.

DISTRICT TECHNICIANS REPORT

Laura DeBeer

Trees in on Monday, potted will not be coming until the first week in May.

c/s contracts/site visits have been a priority this month, measuring and flagging as well as determining if eligible for cost share.

So far we have about 20 tree planting and matting jobs

Will be assisting in Arbor Day school visits

WCA violation, working with the landowner to correct

DNR enforcement came to our office, we invited local contractors and they were given instruction on filling out the paper work for the WCA law.

DNR flyover for wetland violations etc has been cancelled for now as all available officers are assisting with the deer problem up north.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Rose Anderson

March 26 ~ April 21, 2008

- Open House
- SW JPO Meeting
- Convention Planning Meeting
- Tracy Sportsman Show

State Cost Share contract requests:

We have the following requests for cost share funding:

Name	Contract #	Practice	Project cost total	Cost Share request
Robert Fricke	14/08	351~Well Sealing	\$610.00	\$122.00
Warren Regnier	15/08	351~Well Sealing	\$325.00	\$65.00
Warren Regnier	16/08	351~Well Sealing	\$350.00	\$70.00
John Geurts	13/08	351~Well Sealing	\$487.50	\$97.50
Scott Riddlemoser/Kathleen McNulty	12/08	380~FarmWindbreak	\$2411.84	\$1808.00
Eric & Janice Brunsvold	11/08	380~FarmWindbreak	\$2629.91	\$1972.00
Jerry Towne	10/08	380~FarmWindbreak	\$989.39	\$712.00
Zion Lutheran Church	19/08	351~Well Sealing	\$300.00	\$60.00
Ken & Eve DeBaere	18/08	351~Well Sealing	\$1300.00	\$260.00
Gene Schrunk	17/08	380~FarmWindbreak	\$674.90	\$506.00

We also need to cancel Contract #7/08/McNulty as they have altered the contract to the extent that it is better to cancel and start with a new contract (new contract above # 12/08)

Motion by Crowley, second by Prairie that the contracts are approved for funding through the state cost share program and the #7/08 be cancelled and replaced with the corrected #12/08.

Affirmative: all

Opposed: None

Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Water plan as comprehensive 5-year plan for the district, will need to do an adoption of the extension at the meeting as it will have gone through BWSR by that time.

Motion by Nyquist to adopt the resolution # 2/08, Mohn moved that we adopt the extension of the plan, second by Prairie that the chair sign the resolution 2/08 and it be forwarded to BWSR. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Upcoming: Meeting with MN River organization on projects that have been completed, Lincoln SWCD and the YM Watershed will be there also. Mn River Council meeting will be hosted by the watershed in May and they are going to have a tour of projects etc. in the area.

Bid opening for the Minneota Project is Friday AM at the watershed office, City of Minneota will have representative there also. The MN Conservation Corps has completed the tree removal on the area. Attended the April 14th meeting of the watershed and requested that the watershed provide funding support if the bids come in higher than the estimate mainly due to the increase in fuel costs. They approved with a motion that they would.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS

RCRCA/Meulebroeck: Bids for the Lake Redwood Project, 26 contractors picked up bid packets, RCRCA received only one bid for twice the amount estimated. Will need to take another look at the project.

Water Task Force/Nyquist: funding to ADM \$500 for cleaning the river and to haul garbage to the landfill. Funding for the Mega Mall presentation "Underwater Adventures" during the Lyon County Fair \$2,000

SWJPO/Anderson (sub for Mohn): discussion was held on funding, budget and future of the organization.

RC&D/Nyquist: funding was given to the raingarden project and the grazing workshop. Next meeting May 28, new project ideas must be in by May 16th.

Area V Supervisors assoc/Meulebroeck: Meeting is in June on the 19th touring Prairie Wild.

County/Stensrud: Will be looking for a new Public Works director as Benson is taking a position elsewhere. Staff will be filling in temporarily, Seth Greenwood. Jail bidding process is coming up.

Chair asked if there were any additional items to come before the board at this time. Hearing none requested a motion for adjournment.

Motion by Prairie, second by Nyquist that the meeting adjourn. 9:30 PM
Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

NEXT meeting date: May 27, 7 PM

Approved as written at the May 27th, 2008 meeting