



MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
Lyon Soil & Water Conservation District
Tuesday, December 17th, 2013 10 AM

Meeting was called to order at 10am with the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Meulebroeck, Deutz, Crowley, Nyquist, Prairie, John Biren, Jamie Thomazin, Luke Olson & Jeanette Sharp

Agenda was reviewed, accepted with no addition/deletions.

Statement on Conflict of Interest – None.

Motion by Meulebroeck and seconded by Deutz to approve the November 26th, 2013 meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously

Jeanette reviewed the bills submitted to Lyon County since the last board meeting and also noted some additional submissions after agenda mailing. In January a final 2013 year report will be given.

Old Business: None

New Business:

A motion by Deutz, seconded by Crowley to approve the 2014 meeting date schedule as presented. Motion passed unanimously

Motion by Crowley, seconded by Meulebroeck to approve the Well Sealing for Barnes Estate in the amount of \$229.50. Motion passed unanimously

Information on the 2014 Envirothon was reviewed with the Board as materials were sent out to Lyon County Schools and the event is held at Camden State Park each year. The Board gave their support for the event.

Reports –

District Technician, Luke Olson informed the Board as to what he has been doing to bring the county feedlots into compliance. A letter has been sent to each feedlot owner allowing for the updating of the registration and inspections compliance requirements that needed to be done.

The Lyon County Feedlot Work plan compliance goals were signed by the County Commissioner Chair and were reviewed with the District Board.

District Administrator, John Biren presented a Carver County research on two types of inlet- Rock Inlet and Open Inlet. It was agreed it was a good conservation practice but left some questions not answered.

John also reviewed the Targeted Watershed Grant that Lyon County/SWCD is involved with in connection with the Upper Yellow Medicine River Watershed. Other agencies include Lincoln SWCD, Yellow Medicine SWCD, Area II and the Yellow Medicine Watershed office. The grant RBI was submitted by December 13th.

Also discussed was the Local Water Management Grant (LWM) which has funds available to possibly support a dam construction or cost of inlets. At the next meeting more info should be available along with any board suggestions. These funds are available until June 30, 2014.

Lyon County Commissioner and Lyon SWCD boards are supporting the training of John, Luke and a third person to attend a 3 day training for ditch viewing in January, 2014.

John attended the MN River Board meeting Dec. 13, 2013 in Olivia. This meeting was held to determine the possible disbanding of the Board. After discussion it was voted to bring before the state for a decision.

A tentative date of January 6th, at 10 am was set for the meeting of the Liaison Committee. Otto and Mark are the Board members to attend.

District Conservationist, Jamie Thomazin reviewed the Justice For All – Right to Know documents that are posted in office and the Board needs to be aware of. They are recommending more diversity on boards.

CSP payments for 2013 have been completed. Between 2013 & 2014 a total of 138 contracts were paid out. A new CSP sign up period has begun with the application deadline set for January 17th, 2014.

A Soil Conservationist has been hired and will begin January 27th, 2014.

Committee Reports:

Mark will be attending the RCRCA Annual meeting on December 20th. They will be exploring options to share staff with Area II.

Allen has a SW Prairie meeting on January 9th.

The Park & Rec last meeting did not have a quorum to conduct a meeting. Lyon County was deciding whether to hire one or two park positions. County Administrator will be the department head. A charge for wood to be burned has been set. East Twin Lakes Park needs a shelter and restrooms to be built.

County Report – The purchase of a drill is on hold but would be useful to the County Hi-way Dept., Landfill and the SWCD.

Motion by Crowley and seconded by Prairie to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Chair

Board Member Attest