



Minutes from the January 21, 2009 Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order Chair David Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

David Davis
Albert Moline
Hartley Sandstrom
Marcia Stromgren
Debra Taylor

Others Present:

R.C. Boheim, SWCD Staff
Danny Weber, NRCS Staff
Paul Sandstrom, NRCS Staff

Members Absent:

None

Oaths of Office Oaths of Office were given to David Davis and Hartley Sandstrom. Both were re-elected to their Supervisor Positions.

Election of 2009 Officers Motion by Taylor, seconded by Sandstrom to keep the same slate of officers (*Davis –Chair, Taylor – Vice-Chair, Sandstrom – Treasurer, Moline – Secretary*).

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

2009 Committee Assignments Personnel is currently the only standing committee. Motion by Sandstrom, seconded by Taylor to retain the current Personnel Committee membership of Davis and Taylor with Taylor serving as Chair.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Designation of 2009 Financial Institutions Motion by Sandstrom, seconded by Moline to designate Northshore Bank and Hermantown Federal Credit Union as SWCD financial institutions for 2009.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Agenda The Board reviewed the agenda. Motion by Stromgren, seconded by Moline to approve the agenda as presented.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

2008 Outstanding Conservationist Award The Board gave a plaque to 2008 Outstanding Conservationist Paul Sandstrom.

Approval of minutes Minutes from the December 2008 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Taylor, seconded by Sandstrom to approve the minutes as presented.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor
Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Financial and Administrative Report

Treasurer's Report Boheim reviewed financial reports for December and January. Total fund balance as of the end of January 21, 2009 was \$307,514.02. Motion by Moline, seconded by Taylor to approve the financial report.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor
Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

December 31, 2007 Financial Statement Audit Boheim gave a copy of the final audit to each board member.

Personnel Committee Report Taylor gave a report of the Personnel Committee Meeting held prior to the Board meeting. Motion by Taylor, Seconded by Sandstrom to increase Boheim's pay by 3%, Kate Kubiak's pay by \$2,000/year, and Nathan Schroeder's pay by 3% all effective this pay period.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor
Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

2009 SWCD Budget Boheim and the Board reviewed the Draft 2009 Budget. The total budget is \$345,928. Motion by Sandstrom, seconded by Taylor to approve the 2009 Budget as presented.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor
Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

2009 SWCD Annual Plan The Board discussed the Draft 2009 Annual Plan. Motion by Stromgren, seconded by Sandstrom to approve the 2009 Annual Plan as presented.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor
Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

State Cost-share Program Applications

None

Ag BMP Program Applications

None

Grant Agreements

None

MASWCD Legislative Days Taylor will attend Legislative Days, and Stromgren may attend schedule permitting.

MASWCD Dues Payment Motion by Taylor, seconded by Sandstrom to pay Minnesota Association of Soil and Water Conservation dues for 2009 in the amount of \$2,750.00.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor
Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Project Presentations

None

District Manager's Report Boheim reported on current projects and activities.

District Conservationist's Report Weber discussed landowners that are receiving NRCS assistance and distributed a written report.

Committee and Board Membership Reports

CCLNS JPB #3 Davis and Boheim discussed TSA III expansion and the new joint powers agreement being drafted for the expanded area.

SWCD Forestry Association Davis reported that at the next meeting is January 22, 2009.

Laurentian RC&D Paul Sandstrom and Moline reported on several past and ongoing projects. The SWCD may cooperate with RC&D on a grazing tour and biomass workshop.

Supervisor Reports and Concerns

Stromgren asked about using the bringing the SWCD three-panel display board to some meetings.

Taylor asked that the SWCD donate up to two \$25 cash prizes to the Northeast Minnesota Science Fair project contestant(s) that best represents SWCD programs and donate trees to the winner's school. Motion by Taylor, seconded by Stromgren to make the donations.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Other Business

None

Supervisor Expenses Supervisors submitted expense forms and Davis reviewed with the Board. Motion by Taylor, seconded by Sandstrom to approve supervisor expenses.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Adjourn Motion by Sandstrom, seconded by Moline to adjourn the meeting.

Affirmative: Davis, Moline, Sandstrom, Stromgren, Taylor

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Approved

Al Moline, Secretary

Date