

Beltrami Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Supervisors Meeting
Thursday, November 17, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
County Commissioners Board Room
701 Minnesota Ave. NW, Bemidji, MN 56601

Board Supervisors Present: Ruth Trask
Rob Knudson
Jay Frenzel
Shane Bowe

Board Supervisors Absent: Jay Backstrom

Others Present: William Patnaude, District Manager
Ray Hendrickson
Kathy Ruzicka, ESD
Jodee Treat, Auditor's Office

Vice Chair, Jay Frenzel, called the Beltrami Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors Meeting for November 17, 2011 officially to order at 9:00 AM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's Report:

Motion made by Rob Knudson to approve the October 31, 2011 minutes as read. Ruth Trask seconded the motion. Voting on the motion:

Shane Bowe	Yes
Ruth Trask	Yes
Rob Knudson	Yes

Motion approved and carried 3 to 0.

Treasurer's Report:

Ruth Trask gave the Treasurer's Report. Motion made by Ruth Trask to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Shane Bowe seconded the motion. Voting on the motion:

Rob Knudson	Yes
Ruth Trask	Yes
Shane Bowe	Yes

Motion approved and carried 3 to 0.

OLD BUSINESS

MASWCD Annual Meeting & Trade Show:

Reservations and registration have been made by staff for Ruth Trask, Cheryl Sistad and her husband. Ruth will register all attendees for the Outstanding Conservationist luncheon when she arrives at the convention.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cooperative Annual Payment:

Motion made by Ruth Trask to pay \$15,000 for the Cooperative Annual payment to Beltrami County after December 1, 2011. Motion seconded by Shane Bowe. Voting on the motion:

Rob Knudson	Yes
Shane Bowe	Yes
Ruth Trask	Yes

Motion approved and carried 3 to 0.

Change in Meeting Date:

Motion made by Ruth Trask to change the monthly meeting date from the 4th Thursday of every month to the 3rd Thursday beginning January 2012. Rob Knudson seconded the motion. Voting on the motion:

Shane Bowe	Yes
Rob Knudson	Yes
Ruth Trask	Yes

Motion approved and carried 3 to 0.

New Cooperators:

- None

State Cost Share:

- Bill sent a written Cost Share Report to all Board Members with their packet. The following are cost share dollars remaining:

2010	\$ 3,489.00
2011	\$ 7,841.00
2012	\$10,527.00

Board Members requested a copy of the latest policy on Cost Share Dollars.

New Service Agreements:

- John Erickson for a Vegetation Management Plan including summary of existing Wetland Credits expected and Monitoring Plan for a 325 acre site not to exceed \$1200.00.

Motion was made by Ruth Trask to approve the Technical Service Agreement for John Erickson. Shane Bowe seconded the motion. Voting on the motion:

Rob Knudson	Yes
Ruth Trask	Yes
Shane Bowe	Yes

Motion approved and carried 3 to 0.

Stewardship Forester Report:

Jerry Stensing did not attend the meeting. Written report from Jerry was sent to Board Members before meeting. Pictures from his Controlled burn for site preparation of native forbes seeding on the Roessler Wetland Bank Project were shown to Board Members.

RC & D Report:

There was nothing to report on. There will be a RC& D Meeting in December.

NCJPB Report:

- Written report by Brad Kennedy listing projects he is working on. One project in Beltrami County is on property on the north side of Lake Bemidji owned by the Bemidji Town and Country Club. Also a preliminary map creation for the Stelter wetland restoration project consisting of approximately 255 acres of rice paddy restoration.

DC Report:

Larry did not attend the meeting. He emailed to Board Members and staff program updates on EQIP, CSP, Keepseagle NRCS Settlement Case and new Fiscal Year Budget. Also reported business plan for this next year and will be discussing this in detail with Bill to make sure partnership opportunities will be built into the plan for projects in Beltrami County.

Staff Report:

District Manager reported he would like beginning the first of next year to invite guests to attend the SWCD Meetings to come in and discuss different issues that would be beneficial to the SWCD Board.

Motion was made by Rob Knudson to adjourn the Soil & Water Conservation District Board Meeting for November 17, 2011. Ruth Trask seconded the motion. Voting on the motion:

Shane Bowe	Yes
Rob Knudson	Yes
Ruth Trask	Yes

Motion approved and carried 3 to 0.

Next meeting scheduled for December 22, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Board Conference Room.

Rob Knudson
Recording Secretary

Date