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## YELLOW MEDICINE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE YELLOW MEDICINE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Ag Service Building, Clarkfield, Minnesota November 25, 2008

I. The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dennis Kruger.

II. Those present:

Chairperson – Dennis Kruger  
Vice Chairperson – Norris Peterson  
Secretary – Burton Kuehn  
Treasurer – Steve Hubbard  
P. R. & I. – Menno Fokken

District Manager - Lou Ann Nagel  
NRCS DC – Cheryl Heard

III. Business

Motion by Menno Fokken, seconded by Steve Hubbard to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 23, 2008 with the following corrections: Cheryl Isder's name needs to be changed to Cheryl Heard. The motion regarding the request for assistance with WCA from Redwood SWCD should have read January 1, 2009 instead of January 1, 2008. Affirmative: Menno Fokken, Steve Hubbard, Burton Kuehn, Norris Peterson, and Dennis Kruger. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was received as read and filed for audit.

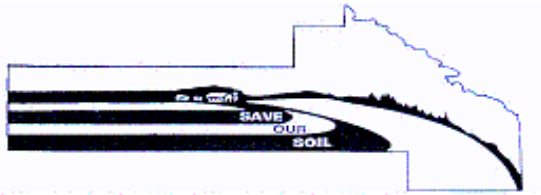
Motion by Menno Fokken, seconded by Norris Peterson to pay all bills and payroll for the month of November. Affirmative: Menno Fokken, Steve Hubbard, Burton Kuehn, Norris Peterson, and Dennis Kruger. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

**WETLAND CONSERVATION ACT REPORT:** Reviewed the November WCA report at this time.

**STATE COST SHARE PROGRAM:** Motion by Steve Hubbard, seconded by Burton Kuehn, to approve payment for David Hacker's State Cost Share Contract #8-12 for a 3.0 acre grassed waterway in Florida Township, section 13 for \$699.00 and to also approve payment for Thomas Gorder's State Cost Share Contract #08-11 for an 850 foot terrace in Norman Township Section 18. Because NRCS had not yet determined the federal cost share amount for this project, the board gives the District Manager and District Administrative Assistant the authority to issue Gorder a check upon notification of that amount. Affirmative: Menno Fokken, Steve Hubbard, Burton Kuehn, Norris Peterson, and Dennis Kruger. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Burton Kuehn, seconded by Menno Fokken to approve State Cost Share Contract #09-15 with Richard Anderson for the installation of a .5 acre farmstead windbreak in Hazel Run Township, Section 30 on the basis of 75% cost share not to exceed \$756.00. Affirmative: Menno Fokken, Steve Hubbard, Burton Kuehn, Norris Peterson, and Dennis Kruger. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

**BLIND INTAKE PROGRAM:** Motion by Burton Kuehn, seconded by Steve Hubbard to approve Blind Intake Contract #08-06 with Bob Borning for the installation of 5 blind intakes in Echo Township, Section 7. Cost share is approved at \$500.00 based on 75% of the eligible costs not to exceed \$100.00/intake. Affirmative: Menno Fokken, Steve Hubbard, Burton Kuehn, Norris Peterson, and Dennis Kruger. Opposed: none. Motion carried.



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**FIELD WINDBREAK DRAWING:** Supervisors will approach lending institutions in the county to see if they want to participate in the field windbreak drawing in 2009 by donating \$80.00 towards a ¼ mile windbreak.

**STATE CONVENTION:** Reviewed the “Green Acre” emergency resolution. Handed out copies of the following: profiles for candidates seeking election for president and vice-president; 2007 MASWCD annual meeting minutes; proposed FY2008/2009 budget; and MASWCD volunteer request form for supervisors review. Reminded supervisors to bring resolution packets to State Convention.

**LEGISLATIVE MEETING:** Motion by Norris Peterson, seconded by Steve Hubbard to approve attendance at the Yellow Medicine County Legislative Meeting to be held on December 16, 2008 from 1:00 to 3:00 at the courthouse. Affirmative: Menno Fokken, Steve Hubbard, Burton Kuehn, Norris Peterson, and Dennis Kruger. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Supervisors were given information on the appointment opportunities to serve on the Lessard Heritage Council and/or the Legislative-Citizen Commission of Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) Council. Supervisors are to register on line if interested in either committee.

**DC REPORT:** Cheryl Heard gave the DC report at this time. She reported on the Stakeholder’s Meeting and the Local Work Group Meeting which was held on November 18, 2008.

**EMPLOYEE EVALAUTIONS:** Employee evaluations were conducted prior to the board meeting. The Personnel Committee recommended that the board wait to discuss 2009 wages until we hear back from the County if our budget was approved as submitted.

**AREA V MEETING:** Supervisors gave a report on the Area V Meeting.

Reports were given as follows:

1. Menno Fokken gave a report on the LQP Watershed Advisory Meeting which was held in November.
2. Norris Peterson gave a RC&D report.
3. Burton Kuehn gave a RCRCRCA report.

Motion by Norris Peterson seconded by Steve Hubbard to authorize supervisors to attend the Area II Legislative Meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at Jackpot Junction. Affirmative: Menno Fokken, Steve Hubbard, Burton Kuehn, Norris Peterson, and Dennis Kruger. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Supervisors were given a copy of the MASWCD Bits of Tidbits and information on the Employee Assistance Program for Supervisors.

Next meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, December 30, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Steve Hubbard, seconded by Norris Peterson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

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Supervisor Signature

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Date

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