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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 September 24, 2009

I. The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Norris Peterson.

II. Those present:

Chairperson – Norris Peterson  
Vice Chairperson – Burton Kuehn  
Treasurer – Menno Fokken  
P. R. & I. – Jerry Nelson

District Manager - Lou Ann Nagel  
Co. Commissioner – Gary Johnson  
NRCS DC – Cheryl Heard

III. Business:

Motion by Menno Fokken, seconded by Burton Kuehn to adopt the agenda with the following additions: Tree Program, Rock Outcrop Program and update on WRP/RIM Program. Affirmative: Burton Kuehn, Menno Fokken, Jerry Nelson, and Norris Peterson. Negative: none. Motion carried.

Motion by Menno Fokken, seconded by Jerry Nelson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 27, 2009. Affirmative: Burton Kuehn, Menno Fokken, Jerry Nelson, and Norris Peterson. Negative: none. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Burton Kuehn, seconded by Jerry Nelson to pay all bills and payroll for the month of September. Affirmative: Burton Kuehn, Menno Fokken, Jerry Nelson, and Norris Peterson. Negative: none. Motion carried.

**DC REPORT AND JUSTICE FOR ALL POSTER:** Cheryl Heard gave the DC Report at this time. Also reviewed the "Justice for all Poster".

**WETLAND CONSERVATION ACT (WCA) REPORT:** Reviewed the WCA monthly report at this time.

**2010 COUNTY BUDGET REQUEST:** The District Manager revised the 2010 County Budget Request to reflect a reduction in BCBS rates for 2010. The new request is in the amount of \$91,598.76 and was sent to the County.

**MASWCD RESOLUTIONS:** The Supervisors voted on the MASWCD Resolutions at this time.

**WATER TASK FOR FUND:** The District Manager informed the board that at the September 8, 2009 meeting, the Yellow Medicine Water Task Force allocated \$4,000 to the SWCD to use for installation of best management practices. The SWCD will administer these dollars like the State Cost Share Program. The SWCD will develop a separate log sheet and disbursement journal for these dollars. They will have landowners fill out a State Cost Share Contract and have the board approve it. When the project is completed, a voucher will be signed by the landowner and submitted to the Water Planner to submit to county for payment. Eligible practices will be those practices that are eligible under the State Cost Share Program, with the exception of blind intakes. Cost share for BMPs will not exceed 75%. Blind intakes will be cost shared at 75% not to exceed \$250.00/intake. A maximum of 5 intakes per landowner will be allowed. If cost share dollars are available for landowners in the Redwood Watershed, Yellow Medicine Watershed and/or Lac qui Parle Watershed, those dollars will be utilized first. If a landowner is not in any of those watersheds, these dollars will be utilized.

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**BWSR ACADEMY:** Motion by Jerry Nelson, seconded by Burton Kuehn to authorize and approve the attendance of Kurt Johnson, Brad Flatin, Nancy Dyrdaahl, and Lou Ann Nagel to attend the BWSR Academy that will be held on November 2, 3 and 4<sup>th</sup> in Brainerd. Affirmative: Burton Kuehn, Menno Fokken, Jerry Nelson, and Norris Peterson. Negative: none. Motion carried.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING:** The District Manager informed the board that the SWCD is scheduled to meet with the County Commissioner's on October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. This is one of the SWCD's scheduled appointments with the Commissioners for the year.

**SUPERVISORS' REPORTS:**

- Menno Fokken gave a Southwest Prairie Technical Service Area Report.
- Burton Kuehn gave a RCRCA Report.
- Norris Peterson gave a RC&D Report.

**TREE PROGRAM:** Reviewed prices for 2010 tree program.

**ROCK OUTCROP PROGRAM:** Ten applications were submitted for funding. Four applications were approved for funding. The SWCD staff will meet with the landowners to see if they are still interested in this program. An application for additional dollars for the Rock Outcrop Program has been submitted to LCCMR. If this grant is received, the applications that were not funded this time will be considered the next go around.

**WRP/RIM APPLICATIONS:** The SWCD received a notice from the Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR) that two applications were approved for funding through the WRP/RIM Program. Landowners Ron Antony and Roger Hacker were notified and the paperwork has been started.

**COMPUTER/SERVER UPDATE:** The SWCD still has not heard from the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) as to the status of the computer/server situation. The District Manager has met with the County's Computer Specialist, Dennis Pederson Jr. to discuss the SWCD's options.

The next meeting will be held on October 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Menno Fokken, seconded by Jerry Nelson to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.

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Supervisor Signature

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Date

## YELLOW MEDICINE SWCD MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT

August 28th, 2009 through September 24th, 2009

Use of Cash	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Ending Balance
Tree Checking	\$7,420.71	\$75.05	\$0.00	\$7,495.76
District Checking	\$6,646.29	\$16,002.77	\$3,397.84	\$19,251.22
Savings Accounts	\$49,999.05	\$0.00	\$16,000.00	\$33,999.05
Investments	\$282,254.44	\$1,484.14	\$0.00	\$283,738.58
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$346,320.49</b>	<b>\$17,561.96</b>	<b>\$19,397.84</b>	<b>\$344,484.61</b>

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>
District Checking	Tree Checking
Interest NOW Acct.-August	\$2.77
Transfer from District Savings	\$16,000.00
	Tree mat, tax & finance charges
	\$75.05

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

<u>CHECK NUMBER PAYABLE TO</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Tree Checking		
District Checking		
#9642 Yellow Medicine County	Family coverage BCBS/Child Life	\$1,247.05
Automatic Withdrawal-Intuit QuickBooks	QuickBooks updates	\$479.87
#9643 Pheasants Forever - Canby Chapter	Sponsorship	\$150.00
#9644 Consumers Coop Oil Co.	Gasoline, oil change & lube	\$285.96
#9645 Cragun's Resort	Meals & lodging for BWSR Academy	\$272.56
#9646 BWSR	Reg. for BWSR Academy Training	\$300.00
#9647 Lou Ann Nagel	Expenses for 3rd Qtr.	\$38.44
#9648 MAEE	Membership	\$25.00
#9649 Kurt Johnson	Expenses for 3rd Qtr.	\$7.38
#9650 Brad Flatin	Expenses for 3rd Qtr.	\$9.64
#9651 Xcel Energy	Electricity for storage facility	\$9.39
#9652 Burton Kuehn	Expenses for 3rd Qtr.	\$169.40
#9653 Jerry Nelson	Expenses for 3rd Qtr.	\$19.80
#9654 Norris Peterson	Expenses for 3rd Qtr.	\$182.60
#9655 Menno Fokken	Expenses for 3rd Qtr.	\$200.75

Treasurer	Date