

# Carlton County Soil and Water Conservation District

## Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, March 14, 2016

Location: SWCD office at 808 3<sup>RD</sup> Street, Carlton MN

Chair called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Present	Absent	Staff Present	Guests
James Nynas		Brad Matlack	Will Bomier - NRCS
Merrill Loy		Julie Radovich	Erin Loeffler - BWSR
Kim Samuelson		Kelly Smith	Susan Zmyslony – Carlton County
Barb Dahl		Melanie Bomier	
Mark Thell			

The pledge of allegiance

**M/S Thell/Dahl to approve amended agenda.  
Motion carried**

**M/S Loy/Samuelson to approve February 2016 meeting minutes.  
Motion carried**

**M/S Dahl/Loy to approve MASWCD special meeting minutes.  
Motion carried**

**M/S Dahl/Thell to accept February Treasurer’s report.  
Motion carried**

**M/S Loy/Dahl to approve the treasurer’s report new format.  
Motion carried**

**Old Business**

MASWCD Membership

Chair Nynas would like to postpone the decision on the SWCD MASWCD membership until the April board meeting. Loy would like to table the decision to a later date.

**M/S Loy/Sameulson to table the MASWCD membership decision.  
Motion carried**

Secretary of State Acknowledgement of Office Relocation Resolution – no discussion.

Nemadji Water Fest – Samuelson and Bomier gave an overview of the waterfest.

Water Summitt – Thell gave update.

**New Business**

Personnel Committee Report – 6 month probation review for Water Resources Technician.

**M/S Loy/Dahl to remove Bomier from probation and change status to FT employee.  
Motion carried**

Kettle River and Upper St. Croix Watershed WRAPS Phase I Monitoring contract – Bomier gave update and asked for board approval.

**M/S Thell/Dahl to approve the Kettle River and Upper St. Croix Watershed WRAPS Phase I Monitoring contract.  
Motion carried**

Surface Water Assessment Grant contract – Bomier gave update and asked for board approval.

**M/S Samuelson/Loy to approve the Surface Water Assessment Grant contract.  
Motion carried**

2016 Annual Report - distributed

Long Lake Conservation Camp Scholarship Program – Matlack  
SWCD staff has decided they would like the money that was budgeted for the LLC to be used to contract with a local teacher/environmental educator to coordinate a SWCD Summer Conservation Camp.

**M/S Thell/Loy to approve the concept presented**  
**Motion carried**

2015 Year End Financial Report for BWSR – Auditor currently working on report.

### **Correspondence**

None

**State Erosion Control and Water Management Program – Status Report**

John Macho tree planting in Skelton Township

**M/S Dahl/Thell to approve \$5287.50 from the Cisco II FY 13 Grant for John Macho project**  
**Motion carried**

### **TSA Report - Smith**

#### **Cooperators Agreements**

Ron Iverson SWCD #5 – wildlife habitat

**M/S Samuelson/Thell to approve Iverson project**  
**Motion carried**

David Fetting SWCD #4 – wildlife habitat

**M/S Loy/Samuelson to approve Fetting project**  
**Motion carried**

Monte Anderson SWCD #5 – forestry practice, wildlife habitat

**M/S Dahl/Thell to approve Anderson project**  
**Motion carried**

### **SWCD Staff Reports and NRCS Staff Report**

#### **Other Business**

Legislative Committee – question by Loy on the activities of the SWCD Legislative Committee. Discussion.

Commissioner Susan Zmyslony has been assigned to another committee that meets every other month at the same time as the SWCD meetings. Commissioner Gary Peterson will be attending the SWCD board meetings when Commissioner Zmyslony cannot attend.

#### **Reports:**

Outside Organizations:

MN SWCD Forestry Association: March Agenda, January Minutes

Big Sandy Lakes Area Watershed Management Project: March Agenda, February Minutes

Laurentian RC&D: MNARC&D March Agenda

MASWCD: 2016 Outlook, February Agenda

Having no further business,

**M/S Samuelson/Thell to adjourn.**  
**Motion carried**

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Submitted by: Julie Radovich

Date Approved:

Chair: James Nynas

Secretary: Merrill Loy