

AITKIN COUNTY SWCD  
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AITKIN, MN 56431

Minutes of the Aitkin County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors meeting held on Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at the Ag Service Center. Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Frank Turnock, Chair.

Those attending were:

Those absent were:

Frank Turnock, Chair  
Bob Janzen, Vice Chair  
Russ Ruud, Secretary  
Mike Lentz, Treasurer  
Donna Rae Asp, Reporter  
Steve Hughes, District Manager  
Lori Nelson, District Secretary  
Scott Kittleson, District Conservationist

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions to the agenda:

- 2009 MASWCD Dues/\$2750
- 2009 NACD Dues
- MN Forestry Association Dues/\$75

A motion was made by Russ Ruud and seconded by Mike Lentz to approve the agenda with additions. Approved.

A motion was made by Donna Rae Asp and seconded by Bob Janzen to approve the December 2008 minutes. Approved.

WELCOME DAN STEWARD/MN BWSR

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Bob Janzen and seconded by Russ Ruud to approve the December financial statement. Approved.

CHECKS WRITTEN

A motion was made by Donna Rae Asp and seconded by Mike Lentz to approve checks written. Approved.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Discussion.

## TSA AREA MEETING

Meeting was held in Mora after the IMPACK 6 meeting. Discussion re: vehicles, equipment, financial responsibility, etc.

## 2009 FUNDING OUTLOOK

At this time Dan Steward, MN BWSR didn't have any information as far as funding. With the referendum results money is available but not sure how the legislature will handle the funds.

## 2009 RC&D DUES

A motion was made by Mike Lentz and seconded by Bob Janzen to approve the 2009 RC&D dues in the amount of \$300. Approved.

## 2009 SWCD FORESTRY ASSOCIATION DUES

A motion was made by Bob Janzen and seconded by Mike Lentz to approve the 2009 SWCD Forestry Association dues in the amount of \$60. Approved.

## 2009 AREA III DUES

A motion was made by Russ Ruud and seconded by Donna Rae Asp to approve the 2009 Area III dues in the amount of \$260. Approved.

## 2009 MASWCD DUES

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Russ Ruud to request splitting the payment in two parts again this year. Approved.

## 2009 NACD DUES

A motion was made by Mike Lentz to not join NACD this year. No second. A motion was made by Bob Janzen and seconded by Russ Ruud to pay 2009 NACD dues in the amount of \$250. Approved. (4 yes, 1 no)

#### 2009 MN FORESTRY ASSOCIATION DUES

A motion was made by Russ Ruud and seconded by Bob Janzen to approve the 2009 MN Forestry Association dues in the amount of \$75. Approved.

#### BILL OVER \$1500/MCIT

A motion was made by Donna Rae Asp and seconded by Russ Ruud to approve payment of \$3405 to MCIT. Approved.

#### LUNCH

Defer elections until Bob Janzen returns.

#### DESIGNATE BANK & NEWSPAPER

A motion was made by Mike Lentz and seconded by Russ Ruud to designate Security State Bank and the Aitkin Independent Age as the official newspaper and bank. Approved.

#### TEN PRIORITIES WISH LIST

Discussion. Steve went through the list of priorities he came up with for the fund.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Frank Turnock, Chair turned the Election of Officers over to Bob Janzen, Vice Chair.

Bob asked for nominations for Chair. A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Russ Ruud to cast a white ballot for Donna Rae Asp as Chair. Approved.

Nominations opened for Vice Chair. A motion was made by Mike Lentz and seconded by Bob Janzen to cast a white ballot for remaining positions to stay the same. Approved.

2009 Officers are as follows:

Donna Rae Asp, Chair  
Bob Janzen, Vice Chair  
Mike Lentz, Treasurer  
Russ Ruud, Secretary  
Frank Turnock, Reporter

RC&D REPORT (Russ Ruud)

No report.

SNAKE RIVER REPORT (Donna Rae Asp)

No report.

IMPACT 6 REPORT (Donna Rae Asp)

- Same officers
- Draft of new TSA
- IMPACT will bill SWCDs directly for materials for cost-share projects
- Chisago & Isanti haven't met yet.

FOREST STEWARDSHIP PLAN WRITER REPORT (see attached)

Dennis Thompson was at a meeting. Steve Hughes handed out his report.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST'S REPORT (see attached)

The suggestion was made to have a board meeting at Long Lake Conservation Center. We will plan to have our February SWCD meeting at Long Lake Conservation Center on Tuesday, February 17, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Russ Ruud  
Secretary

