



Kanabec Soil & Water Conservation District

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Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, June 12, 2018 4:00 pm

Purpose Statement: Meet regularly utilizing civic standards to organize ourselves, building capacity and infrastructure as needed to support our goals in leading toward better soil & water quality throughout Kanabec County.

Introductions – Kyle Fredrickson, new summer Conservation Assistant

1. 4:00- 4:05 **Call to Order** - *Approval of Agenda ***Seeking Board Decisions**
2. 4:05- 4:15 **NRCS Report**
3. 4:15-4:20 ***Consent Agenda** (no discussion unless Supervisor requests)
 - 3.1. Financial – receipts & disbursements
 - 3.2. Outcomes Document - April
 - 3.3. Staff Reports
 - 3.4. Upcoming Staff Meetings / Outreach / Training
4. 4:20-4:25 ***Approve Treasurer’s Report**
5. 4:25-5:45 **Business**
 - 5.1. *Billable Rate Resolution - Adjustment as per BWSR, effective Jan. 28, 2018
 - 5.2. *2018 Capacity Funds Grant approval, revised work plan to include the extra \$30,000 match
 - 5.3. *Reauthorize the DNR observation well contract – request to grant Pomije approval to sign this annually as it has a short turnaround time to continue monitoring.
5 wells monitored 8 times, \$1200 payment
 - 5.4. *AIS – (COLA) Expenses (total \$1733.61)
 - 5.4.1. Aquatic Solutions, curly leaf treatment on Lewis Lake – \$1,530.04
 - 5.4.2. Materials for AIS sign installed at launch, Quamba Lake - \$58
 - 5.4.3. Pre-approval for materials to install 2 AIS signs for Snake River access sites, ~\$150
 - 5.4.4. Pre-approval for inspector apparel for Kyle, ~\$150
 - 5.4.5. Misc. tools for AIS Inspector: chair, sponge, mirror, etc. - \$25.57
 - 5.4.6. County Fair Booth Registration - \$120
 - 5.5. *AgBMP Septic Loan request – Blake Johnson, Comfort twp. combined house & community events center septic, bid \$40,720
 - 5.6. Tree Sale Final Report, tree distribution, Fri. 5/4, 2-7 pm - detailed report (LeRoy)

5.7. *Misc. computer request – after further research into setting up the culvert inventory (discussed with Hwy. Dept.), equipment needed for AIS boat inspection survey submissions and field data collection – the following computer items are being requested:

+ Tablet Computer, ~\$700

+ Booster for more accuracy in data collection, ~\$150

+ GPS Unit – Garmin, lower cost option, ~\$800 (previously approved by the board)

These tablet allow for multiple use data collection and flexibility in the future if/when we acquire our own ESRI – ArcMap license for our continued mapping needs.

5.8. Building Lease Negotiations – rate may increase \$12/ SF -> \$14-15;

(2009-'11 paid \$10 / SF; since 2012 paying \$12/ SF)

What square feet do we need? Current 382 SF, Proposed 1,130 SF, includes 180 SF for TSA
Landlord has 1350 -1473 SF available.

5.9. *Supervisor Training – Collaboration & Negotiation for Leaders, Assn. of MN Counties (AMC), \$150/ training

5.10. Good News! We've received the Lake St. Croix Improvement Program Grant for \$40,000 over the next 2 years for Phosphorus reduction projects (livestock operations) within the Ann River Watershed, 25% match. This may work as possible match to an Ann Lake Treatment Grant.

5.11. Proposed Scholarship offered to producer in Kanabec County to attend the Soil Health Academy in Redwood Falls July 31 – Aug 2, \$500 offer for \$1,275 training cost

5.12. Eagle Scout Project Update – SWCD County Signs –No Funding Source Yet - Requested quotes from 5 companies for the proposed Eagle Project – still waiting to hear from a few more. LeRoy working with Logan and his parents on the project details. LeRoy will review quotes.
Sign Design – 2 supervisors available to decide this in June.

6. 5:45-6:00 **Project Updates:**

- *Clark, Jeanette & Richard, Ogilvie – payment voucher for well abandonment (hand-dug) completed May 25 (Bids: \$800 & \$1595) cost \$800, payment 50% - \$400 funding through CWP & 25% - \$200 Capacity 2017
- *Boster, Mike & Graber, Brian, payment voucher, manure waste closure – funded 50% CWP – expiring June 30, estimate - \$49,110, cost - \$33,897, payment - \$16,948.50 – Authorize Pomije to sign once all other signatures obtained & recorded on the deed.

7. 6:00-6:10 General Discussion / Public Input

8. 6:10-6:25 Set Next Meeting Dates / Committee Reports

8.1 Forestry Association Report – next meeting May 19 in McGregor

8.2 COLA – AIS next Meeting 6/14, 5pm in Courthouse (Kelzenberg)

8.3 Snake River Watershed Board – next meeting 6/25

8.4 TSA Area 3 Meeting - next meeting 6/27, Duluth

8.5 **Regular SWCD Board Meeting: Tues. July 10, 4:00 PM**

8.6 Area 3 Meeting – Wed. June 6, Carlton Transportation Bld. (Pomije, Anderson, Hoppe)

8.7 *Conservation Boot Camp– Sept. 11-27, funding reimbursed through NACD, Kelzenberg

8.8 Pomije’s approved vacation time off 7/30 – 8/3

9. 6:25-6:30 Evaluate the Meeting – What worked? What needs further discussion?

10. Adjourn

Civic Governance is a new approach to organizing to facilitate change for the common good, creating effective and stable organizations.

The **purpose** of Civic Organizing is to organize people to the obligation of being an active citizen; providing the opportunity for them to impact decision making in their role and in day to day work; learning what is good and growing in that knowledge.

- To broaden governing responsibility to include those impacted but not replacing existing governing responsibilities of board members and supervisors. We need to work together; no one group can alone solve our environmental concerns.
- Organizing comes with the obligation of active citizenship.
- Active citizenship is developed in the way institutions and projects are governed in the process of carrying out their mission/purpose/ achieving goals.