



North St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District

Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2016

Northland Office Building

307 First St S, Planning Conference Room

Virginia MN 55792

Supervisors Present: Chuck Bainter, Peggy Pearson, Mark Peterson & Gary Rantala

Staff Present: Anita Provinzino, District Administrator;
Phil Norvitch, Water Resources Specialist

Others Present: Marge Sella, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS);
Jeff Lovgren, Sportsmen's Club of Lake Vermilion; LeAnn Buck, MN Association of Soil
& Water Conservation Districts (MASWCD)

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Peggy Pearson at 10:31 a.m. A quorum was present.

1. Agenda - Motion by Gary Rantala/Chuck Bainter to approve agenda.
Affirmative: Bainter, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
2. Minutes – Motion by Chuck Bainter/Mark Peterson to approve the minutes as written.
Affirmative: Bainter, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
3. Treasurer's Report – Motion by Gary Rantala/Mark Peterson to approve the Treasurer's Report.
Affirmative: Bainter, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
4. Accounts Payable & Accounts Receivable – Motion by Chuck Bainter/Gary Rantala to approve the accounts payable and accounts receivable.
Affirmative: Bainter, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
5. Guest Introductions –
 - a. LeAnn Buck of MASWCD spoke regarding the work of the association and 2016 Focus Areas. She distributed two flyers that are on file: MASWCD's Vision/Focus and Area Meeting Summer 2016. The District Board asked LeAnn to look at the equity of dues between North & South St. Louis SWCD's.

- b. Jeff Lovgren of SCLV thanked the District for one year of service together. He spoke highly of all District staff and was pleased at the progress we have made together to prevent aquatic invasive species.

REPORTS:

6. Supervisor & Committee Reports

- a. Mark Peterson attended the recent Forestry meeting. He distributed a flyer for North Central Research & Outreach Center's Visitors Day on August 25. He plans to attend the St. Louis River Watershed meeting as part of the WRAPS process. He encouraged everyone to visit the watercraft decontamination units after seeing them in action at the Walleye Classic.
 - b. Chuck Bainter will also attend the SLR Watershed meeting. He and Beth Peterson, staff, presented awards to poster contest winners in May.
 - c. Gary Rantala attended the TSA3 Resolutions meeting. This year there was only one resolution. The next meeting will be in the 3rd week of September.
 - d. Peggy will attend the Resource Conservation & Development committee meeting.
7. NRCS Conservationist Report – Written report on file.
 8. District Administrator Report – Written report on file.
 9. Resource Conservationist Report – Written report on file.
 10. Water Resources Specialist Report – Written report on file.
 11. Forester Report – Written report is on file.

OLD BUSINESS:

12. Tree Sale Final Report – Written report on file.

Supervisor Rantala left the meeting.

13. Pickup Truck Financing – Motion by Chuck Bainter/Mark Peterson to adopt Board Resolution 2016-06-01 as modified to include purchase of pickup, tax, license, brake control, running boards, and topper cover with financing up to \$30,000 for 36 months at 2.99% interest.

Affirmative: Bainter, Pearson, Peterson

Opposed: None

Motion Carried

14. Pay Equity Act Submission – The District was determined to be in compliance with pay equity by Minnesota Management & Budget. Copies are on file.

NEW BUSINESS:

15. General Business –

- a. Motion by Chuck Bainter/Mark Peterson to approve payment of \$750 as modified dues for 2016 to MASWCD.

Affirmative: Bainter, Pearson, Peterson

Opposed: None

Motion Carried

- 16. Upcoming meetings & trainings – no additional meetings noted
- 17. Confirm Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be July 11, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.
- 18. Meeting was adjourned by Chuck Bainter/Mark Peterson at 12:33 p.m.



Chuck Bainter, Board Secretary



Date