

North St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District

Meeting Minutes

July 18, 2016

Northland Office Building

307 First St S, Planning Conference Room

Virginia MN 55792

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

Staff Present: Anita Provinzino, District Administrator

Others Present: Roger Marks, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Peggy Pearson at 10:30 a.m. A quorum was present.

1. Agenda - Motion by Chuck Bainter/Gary Rantala to approve agenda.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
2. Minutes – Motion by Chuck Bainter/Gary Rantala to approve the minutes as written.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried

Mark Peterson arrived at the meeting.

3. Treasurer's Report – Motion by Chuck Bainter/Mark Peterson to approve the Treasurer's Report as corrected.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
4. Accounts Payable & Accounts Receivable – Motion by Gary Rantala/Chuck Bainter to approve the accounts payable and accounts receivable.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala.
Opposed: None
Motion Carried

5. Guest Introductions – None present

REPORTS:

6. Supervisor & Committee Reports
 - a. Gary Rantala attended the TSA 3 personnel committee meeting in Duluth in June. They reviewed 6 staff members.

- b. Mark & Chuck attended the St. Louis River Watershed 2016 Meeting Series: *What's Stressing our Streams?* Meeting in Virginia in June. They reported the highlight was the water sampling demonstrations by Jared. It was evident that he loves what he does and they commended his presentation.
- 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: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

12. General Business –

- a. Forest Stewardship Plan Fees – Motion by Chuck Bainter/Gary Rantala to approve fees for writing Forest Stewardship Plans at a \$225 base fee plus \$7 per acre effective 7/18/16 and approve one customer who was quoted at \$150 base rate plus \$7 per acre.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
- b. BWSR Additional Capacity Funding discussion – duplicate – see 13b.
- c. SLC Fair Booth – District will have joint booth at fair with NRCS staffed by both Board and staff members. Provinzino will send a sign up sheet electronically.
- d. Motion by Gary Rantala/Chuck Bainter to allow Anita Provinzino to change account numbers with the State of Minnesota and St. Louis County so that funds are automatically deposited into the checking account instead of the savings account.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala
Opposed: None
Motion Carried

13. BWSR –

- a. Grant Approval & Resolution – Community Partners Fund Application
Motion by Chuck Bainter/Gary Rantala to table this item.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala
Opposed: None
Motion Carried
- b. 2016 Additional Capacity Funding Grant Amendment – Provinzino reported further work is needed to develop budget and work plan before approval. Motion by Gary Rantala/Mark Peterson to table this item.
Affirmative: Bainter, Kleist, Pearson, Peterson, Rantala
Opposed: None
Motion Carried

14. Upcoming meetings & trainings –

- a. Aug 4 – Listening Session with John Jaschke – Anita will likely attend.

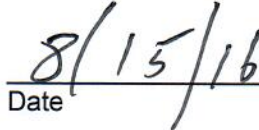
- b. Local Government Water Roundtable Buffer Workshop – Chuck & Gary will attend.
- c. Peggy will attend the upcoming Laurentian Resource Conservation & Development meeting.
- d. Mark will attend the upcoming Forestry meeting.

15. Confirm Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be August 8, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

16. Meeting was adjourned by a motion from Gary Rantala/Curt Kleist at 11:48 a.m.



Chuck Bainter, Board Secretary



Date