

**Minnehaha Conservation District  
May 8th, 2017 Monthly Meeting  
USDA Service Center  
Board meeting 3:00 pm**

Woerman called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**Supervisors present:** Gordon Heber, Ron Johnson and Bob Woerman

**Supervisors absent:** Jeff Oyen and Jim Pfeifer

**Advisors present:**

**Advisors absent:** Jim Jackson, Dana Loseke and Jennifer Schmidtbauer

**Others present:** John Parker, Denise Fletcher and Brian Top

**Agenda:** MSP to approve by Johnson and Heber. All ayes.

**Minutes of April 10th meeting:** MSP to approve by Heber and Johnson. All ayes.

**Treasurer's report:** Reviewed at meeting. MSP to approve by Heber and Johnson. All ayes.

**Bills:** Reviewed at meeting. Approved to pay. MSP to approve by Heber and Johnson. All ayes.

**No NRCS activity report given at meeting.**

**Big Sioux River – RCPP Report by Brian Top:**

Pastures going into SRAM/RAM along Skunk Creek, Willow Creek, Six Mile Creek and the Big Sioux River were GPS verified. Site evaluations on enrolled acres will be performed to ensure program guidelines are being followed. Continuing progress being made on Animal Waste Management Systems for EQIP/RCPP contracts. RCPP funds have been obligated for 7 terrace construction projects – 6 in Lincoln County and 1 in Minnehaha County.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Service Report (bio-solids, tree planting, grass planting, etc.)**

Bio-solids - sampling is caught up for the spring season. 375 acres have been seeded with the 26' drill and 390 acres seeded with the 15' drill. Tree planting – 4.5 acres of hand planting is completed. 57-60 acres of machine planting is planned yet. CRP Seeding – 300 acres are planned in Lincoln and Minnehaha Counties. Spraying – 125 acres to be completed.

**2. Conservation Collaboration Grant (NRCS)**

This is being worked on. Application is due by May 15<sup>th</sup>.

**3. Urban Agriculture Conservation Initiative**

We have information and need to get it finalized. Application due by end of May.

4. **Signs – Shed and Gevik Site**

Nothing has been done about the shed sign yet. Gevik site signs are in process. They will be replaced during the scout project.

5. **Gevik Site – Scout Project**

The scout project will be worked on in May at the Gevik Site.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Resource Concerns Planning**

A training session was held in Parker on April 17<sup>th</sup>. On June 12<sup>th</sup> an area meeting will be held in Salem, where this issue will be discussed. Ron and Bob plan to attend. Discussion held about how to notify residents about resource concerns discussions (email, surveys, website, etc.)

**CONSERVATION PLAN APPROVALS**

MSP to sign agreements by Johnson and Heber. All ayes.

**OTHER BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Correspondence

MSP to adjourn at 4:10 p.m. by Johnson and Heber. All ayes.

**NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday, June 13th, 2017 at 3:00 pm – USDA Service Center**

Submitted by Denise Fletcher, District Office Assistant