

BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2010

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held September 14, 2010, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Rick Nelsen. Present were: Paul Langseth, Rick Nelsen, Lynn Darling, Jim Knips and Ken Wolf. Also present were: Ed Lenz, District Manager; Aaron Crowley, District Technician, Stephanie McLain, D.C.

AGENDA: Langseth moved to approve the agenda. Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Langseth, Nelsen, Darling, Knips and Wolf. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

MINUTES: The minutes of the August 18th, 2010, regular meeting were reviewed. Darling moved to approve the minutes as mailed. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Langseth, Nelsen, Darling, Knips and Wolf. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report and Bills Payable were presented and reviewed. Darling moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$12,636.16. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Langseth, Nelsen, Darling, Knips and Wolf. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

STATE COST-SHARE: Wolf moved to approve the following FY2009 State Cost-Share payment:

2009-2	Steve Bullerman	Diversion	\$1,096.88
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Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Langseth, Nelsen, Darling, Knips and Wolf. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Lenz presented a cost-share request for a grant match for the CWF Grant Application for a shoreline stabilization project on Lake Ocheda. Lenz reported that the Okabena-Ocheda Watershed District has set aside \$5,000 of grant match funding for this project. Darling moved to approve a grant match of \$1,000, if the shoreline stabilization project is funded through the CWF. Wolf seconded the motion. Affirmative: Nelsen, Darling, Knips and Wolf. Opposed: None. Abstained: Langseth. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS: Lenz reported that he had applied for funds for a lakeshore stabilization project discussed earlier in the meeting. An application for technical assistance for the K-LR was also submitted. One Feedlot Assistance Application was submitted in the county.

The board discussed the K-LR tour. Darling and Wolf plan to attend.

The SWCD board had submitted Mark Lenz as the Nobles SWCD Conservationist of the Year to the MASWCD. Mark will be invited to attend the State Convention and participate in the awards luncheon.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT: Lenz requested funding for training for the WFDRB Watershed Coordinator to attend the BWSR Academy. The Board agreed that providing training for the Coordinator would be in the best interests of the SWCD. Darling moved to approve \$87.50 for BWSR Academy Training needs for the Watershed Coordinator. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Langseth, Nelsen, Darling, Knips and Wolf. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Lenz discussed the need for more WAE hours for the office. Lenz suggested that the Board provide a letter of support for the NRCS position. Langseth moved to approve sending a letter of support to NRCS requesting more WAE hours for Nobles County. Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Langseth, Nelsen, Darling, Knips and Wolf. Opposed: None. Motion carried

D.C. REPORT: The NRCS Local Workgroup Meeting will be held at 9:30. Stephanie provided a little information to the Board on how the process will occur and the differences in the previous year's rankings.

Stephanie discussed the Lupkes water retention structure and several other ongoing projects.

WATERSHED DISTRICTS AND OTHER REPORTS:

Langseth reported that the Okabena-Ocheda Watershed District agreed to provide \$5,000 of grant match for the Lake Ocheda Shoreline Project if it receives CWF Funding. The Lake Bella Shoreline was discussed as well as Erosion Control Permits. Cost-share was also discussed and it is possible that the OOWD will set cost-share policy regarding use of the available funding.

BWSR had a meeting on the 22nd of August. Langseth reported that the majority of discussion related to the upcoming grant funding period.

Darling reported that the RC&D needs more information for the Hospice Cottage project before payment can be made. The RC&D will be looking for more projects as part of the mini-grant program. The next meeting is on October 22nd.

NEW BUSINESS: Local Workgroup meeting will be held after the SWCD Meeting today.

The next regular board meeting will be held October 20th at 7:30 a.m.

Darling moved to adjourn the meeting. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Nelsen, Darling, Knips, and Wolf. Opposed: None. Meeting adjourned

Lynn Darling, Secretary