

## Minutes for April 7, 2009 Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 am at the Iola Service Center by Craig Mentzer, Chairman.

### Also Present:

DeWayne Jarred, Vice-Chairman  
 Donna Beebe, Member  
 Juanita Tolle, Member  
 Kelli Kramer, District Manager  
 Matt Powe, NRCS SDC

### Approval of minutes of previous meeting:

The motion was made by Juanita and seconded by Donna to accept the minutes with corrections. Correction is in the second item under new business. Sentence is unreadable. The motion passed unanimously.

### Treasurer's Report

Fund	Expenses	Balance
Operations	\$5074.47	\$20104.62
Enterprise	\$870.02	\$7991.48
Buffer	\$899.95	\$2784.39
The motion was made by Donna and seconded by Juanita to file the report for audit and pay the bills.		

### Communications

1. Mar 06 – NACD Forestry Notes
2. Mar 11 – KACD-EO Conference April 28-29
3. Mar 11 – KAWS will be holding a meeting on floodplain easements
4. Mar 11 – Marais des Cynges field day in Uniontown
5. Mar 13 – Water Well Plugging demo will be April 18
6. Mar 16 – Farm Forum Magazine from Case
7. Mar 16 – Fidelity bond will be changing underwriters to Liberty Agency
8. Mar 16 – Kansas Native Plan Society is looking for new members
9. Mar 16 – Update supervisor position in CSIMS by Dee Turner
10. Mar 17 – Financial Management Checklist for supervisors from Dee Turner – I included one in your books
11. Mar 17 – Finney County CD is looking for help with fair booth at the 2009 3i Show
12. Mar 23 – New federal income tax tables have been sent out by the IRS
13. Mar 24 – Lake Region RC&D will be holding it's annual meeting on April 9
14. Mar 25 – WRAPS I&E workshop on May 7 in Rock Springs
15. Mar 26 – As of Mar 31, the clerical assistance agreement between the SCC and NRCS will cease activity.
16. Mar 27 – Society for Range Management will be holding it's Youth Camp on June 29-July 2.
17. Mar 27 – All uncommitted cost share will be cancelled on March 31.
18. Apr 01 – CSIMS has been shut down for a couple weeks
19. Apr 02 – There will be a nine-month moratorium on insurance portion of KPERS

Matt's NRCS – Report attached.

Bill's Buffer Report is attached

- ❖ NPS Report – We had an application for a new septic system repair, it has been completed, but I’m still waiting on the final check out from Alan Weber. We have also had one application for a pond this month. We have \$231.00 that was taken back by the state.
- ❖ Water Resources Report – We had two terrace contracts completed. There are no funds left in this account.
- ❖ Approval of Conservation Plans:  
Nothing to be signed this month
- ❖ District Report – Kelli Kramer
  1. Attended SCC Meeting here in Iola.
  2. Attended insurance meeting in Iola.
  3. Don Copley, who is the head of the Humboldt Chamber of Commerce, will be serving on the RC&D board for the Conservation District. The other open position needs to be filled by the county commissioners.

Important Dates

- April 9 – WRAPS Meeting – Iola Pizza Hut
- April 18 – Water Well plugging demonstration Franklin County
- April 22 – Earth Day with county 4<sup>th</sup> graders

New Business

1. The county has changed insurance carriers for this year. They are now going with Preferred Health. The new cost for insurance will be \$429/mo. Is it ok to pay the new amount for insurance?  
*The District will pay the new cost of insurance with no charge to the district manager. The motion was made by Juanita and seconded by DeWayne.*
2. There will be a KACD-EO conference on April 29-30 in Topeka, KS. Cost is \$65 for the conference and \$87 + tax for the hotel. I’d like to attend the meeting as I have not been to one yet.  
*The motion was made by Donna for Kelli to attend the conference. The motion was made by DeWayne to pay mileage and meals associated with the conference. Both were seconded by Juanita and the motion passed unanimously.*
3. Prize entries for the county fair are due this month. We need to set a prize that the county is willing to give. I have typed up some rules so we will be able to forward the photograph to the national contest if the winner is willing.  
*The motion was made by Juanita and seconded by DeWayne to offer to pay for the framing to hang the winning photograph in the office for one year. The motion passed unanimously.*
4. Since we have some new county commissioners, it might be a good idea to do a field day for them to show them what it is we do. I talked to some other counties, and they show them some completed projects then take them to breakfast or lunch.  
*Kelli is to check on the rules for taking the commissioners to lunch, but Juanita has offered to cook for them if there is a problem. NRCS will help with the day and Kelli will set a date by checking with the commissioner’s schedule to get this put together. If there is no interest from the commissioners, then it will be scrapped. The motion was made by Juanita and seconded by Donna to do the above stated items. The motion passed unanimously.*
5. Our Earth Day activity is scheduled for April 22 at the Allen County Community College Farm north of town. The Farm Bureau is going to provide a lunch. I have my usual group of presenters who are willing to help, and the FB is going to get some high school students to help. I’m still working on getting a list of activities from the FB to make a complete schedule. There is only one bathroom, so they would like us to get a couple port-a-potties for the day.

*Kelli is to order 2 port a potties, and if the college is wanting to use them for an event, then we will split the cost with the college. The motion was made by Juanita and seconded by DeWayne.*

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 am. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 5 at 7:30 am.*

MINUTES APPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_ CHAIRMAN \_\_\_\_\_ Date  
 \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT MANAGER \_\_\_\_\_ Date