

ALLEN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

202 W. MILLER RD., IOLA, KANSAS

- August 7, 2007 -

1. Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman, DeWayne Jarred, at 8:45 PM, and was held in the USDA Service Center Building, Iola, Kansas, 66749.
2. **ALSO PRESENT:**
Donna Beebe, Member
Ryan Garrett, Treasurer
Kelli Kramer, District Manager
Matthew T. Powe, District Conservationist, NRCS
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** A Motion was made by Ryan and seconded by Donna to accept the minutes of July 3, 2007 as written.
4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurers Report – Expenses for Operations Account \$2418.72, Enterprise Account \$0.00, Petty Cash \$10.00, and Buffer Account \$21.00. A motion was made by Donna and seconded by Ryan to approve the Treasurers report. Motion passed.
5. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:**
 1. 7-9-2007: Thank you card from Ann Houk.
 2. 7-13-2007: State Association of Kansas Watershed Newsletter
 3. 7-5-2007: FY 2008 Livestock Waste Systems are being funded again. Our landowner limit is \$10,000 per project.
 4. 7-10-2007: Conservation Districts' Role in Implementing the National Fire Plan
 5. 7-26-2007: Conservation News from Linn County Conservation District
 6. 7-18-2007: August 15 will be the Kansas Association of Conservation Districts Area 5 meeting here in Iola at the Rivertree Christian Church
 7. 7-27-2007: Clarification of Water Supply Development Eligibility – in order for SCC to pay on a water supply, it must be an additional source and have 40 acres.
 8. 7-19-2007: FY 2008 WRAPS funds for the SCC have been approved. The funds are available to fill in gaps where existing programs are not meeting all of the implementation needs identified in the WRAPS action plan.
 9. 8-2-2007: Forestry Notes from National Association of Conservation Districts
6. **NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE REPORT:** See Matt Powe's report attached
7. **CONSERVATION DISTRICT REPORT:**
 10. Attended Marais des Cygnes WRAPS meeting on July 13 in Ottawa
 11. Attended county commissioner meeting on July 17. We will hear about budget on or before Aug. 30.

12. Met with Dee Turner from State Office on July 24, went over more detailed training on Conservation District policies.
 13. Mailed correspondences for NRCS as requested
 14. Regarding Sept QuickBooks training: Can I go up the night before instead of driving up the morning of training? It starts at 8:00 am.
 15. Returned unused grass seed to Sharp Bros, Feyh, and DeLange. Made arrangements to have new seed delivered this fall.
 16. First sign up of State Cost share completed- dates June 25-July 31. Will open left over \$ to contracts on a month by month basis
 17. Finished entering FY 2006 NPS and FY 2007 NPS contracts to be paid
 18. Arranged and organized files according to state's updated standards
8. NPS POLLUTION REPORT: We have two completed septic systems from FY2007. Gary Henderson and Charlotte Owens have been inspected and approved by Alan Weber.
 9. OTHER REPORTS: Dan did not work any this month so he did not make a report.
 10. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF CONSERVATION PLANS: We had quite a few emergency plans that were signed throughout the month and one at the meeting.
 11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: We talked with Jeff Sellman about running the drill. He is looking to do it full time. He would not have a problem carrying the liability insurance, he already does for running a skid steer and he mowed for the state last year. He wasn't sure of what he would need to charge, but would be happy with what we decided. We gave him a copy of a contract from another county to look at so he can read it and figure out if he has any questions. No decision has still been made on whether to purchase the drill.
 12. NEW BUSINESS:
 1. A motion was made by the board to allow Kelli to sign Emergency changes to be made to CRP and/or conservation plans. This is ONLY to be done on plans that cannot wait for the next board meeting. We had multiple instances this month where someone from the board had to be called in to sign, and the district must pay mileage on whoever comes in.
 2. A motion was made by Ryan and seconded by Donna to allow Kelli to drive up to the QuickBooks training the night before and to pay for the room. The training is to start at 8:00 and Salina is 3 hours away.
 3. Cost share applications were looked at, and all approved. From now on, the board will only need to look at a summary sheet of all applications along with a summary of funds still available.

MINUTES APPROVED

DATE

CHAIRMAN

DISTRICT MANAGER