

MINUTES OF THE DUBUQUE SOIL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING
EPWORTH, IOWA
March 9, 2010

Call Meeting to Order: The monthly meeting of the Dubuque Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners was called to order by Chairperson Melvin Wilgenbusch at 6:00 p.m. at the Dubuque Soil & Water Conservation District, Epworth, Iowa on March 9, 2010. Those present included Staff: Theresa Weiss – District Conservationist, Colleen Siefken – State Secretary; Commissioners: Melvin Wilgenbusch, Jerry Ostwinkle, Dave Ruden, Charles McCullough.

Adopt Agenda: With the addition of the following:

- CDI Farm Bill Funding Request

the agenda was approved as presented.

10-18 Ruden made the motion to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Ostwinkle. Motion carried unanimously.

Resignation of Assistant Commissioner Robert O'Connell: Siefken presented a letter from O'Connell regarding his resignation.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting: Wilgenbusch called for a discussion of the January 12, 2010 meeting minutes (there was no February meeting).

10-19 Motion made by Ostwinkle to approve the meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Ruden. Motion carried unanimously.

FARMS Program Summary: Current FARMS '10 Account information:

Program	Amount Paid	Obligated Amount	Available Balance
Cost Share	\$ 22,157.58	\$ 5,417.65	\$ 32,388.27
REAP F/NG	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ 2,300.05
REAP P	\$ 3,390.65	\$ -886.50	\$ 9,796.04
UCCW Project			
<i>WSPF Funds</i>			
Grade Stabilization	\$ 158.10	\$ 3,072.00	\$ 158,019.90
Native Landscaping	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 563.00
Rain Garden	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,500.00
Soil Quality Rest.	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,500.00
Streambank Stab	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,114.00	\$ 3,636.00
TSI	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,000.00
Use Exclusion	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,370.00
Water & Sediment Control Structure	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,625.00

319 Funds

Bio-Retention	\$ 1,781.25	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Native Landscaping	\$ 375.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Grade Stabilization	\$ 9,107.74	\$ -22,197.50	\$ 13,089.76

FRF

Water & Sediment Control Structure	\$ 0.00	\$ 713.55	\$ 2,535.45
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Cost Share Applications: Commissioners reviewed the following:

Voluntary

Gene Langel, #18552, 500' Terrace, \$2,500.00 cost share amount
Elmer Oberbroeckling, #18545, 500 ft terrace, \$875.00 cost share amount
John Mangold, #18549, 400 ft terrace, \$2,500.00 cost share amount
John Mangold, #17471, 1 grade stab structure, \$5,000.00 cost share amount
Wilfred Lueken, #18115, 600 ft terrace, \$2,500 cost share amount
Kenneth Steffen, #18546, 4,600 ft terrace, \$6,500.00 cost share amount

FRF

None

REAP

Trappistine Nuns Inc., #18305, 5 acres tree planting, \$2,250.00 cost share amount
Richard Sigwarth, #18301, 6 ac tree planting, \$2,850.00 cost share amount
Flynn Investment, #18370, 20 acre TSI, \$2,400.00 cost share amount

UCCW/WIRB

Sally VonCarlowitz, #18277, 1 grade stabilization structure, \$7,444.00 (25% UCCW & 50% EQIP)

10-20 Motion made by Ruden to approve the above listed applications. Motion seconded by Ostwinkle. Motion carried unanimously.

Cost Share Amendment: Commissioners reviewed the following:

None

FARMS Certification/Costs Share Claim: Commissioners reviewed the following:

None

FARMS/Cost Share Maintenance Agreements: Commissioners reviewed the following:

None

1M/Finance:

- 1M Expense balance \$945.82
- Commissioners reviewed monthly Quickbooks report
- Tree Sale is underway – 83 orders to date – sale ends 3/15/10 - HELP WILL BE NEEDED 4/21 & 22 FOR THE DISTRIBUTION
- 1M Expense Voucher - \$262.63

10-21 Motion made by Ostwinkle to approve Quickbooks Report. Motion seconded by Ruden. Motion carried unanimously.

10-22 Motion made by Ostwinkle to approve the 1M Expense Voucher. Motion seconded by McCullough. Motion carried unanimously.

Upper Catfish Creek Watershed Project:

- Administrative Claims in the amount of \$0.00 (WIRB) & \$ 503.62 (WPF)
- Monthly Report
- WIRB Final Funding Request & Final Report
- Watershed Council meeting on 3/18/10 at the Swiss Valley Nature Center
- Stormwater Ordinance Update – Supervisors are to set a public hearing for 3/29/10- further information available at UCCW Council meeting.
- LID Workshop had over 100 in attendance
- Working on future plans.
- Annual Project Review is 3/23/10 at the Swiss Valley Nature Center – 1:30 p.m.

10-23 Motion made by Ruden to approve the monthly report. Motion seconded by Ostwinkle. Motion carried unanimously.

10-24 Motion made by Ruden to approve both the WIRB Final Funding Request & Project Final Report. Motion seconded by Ostwinkle. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence Received:

- CDI announced Darrell Weems, former Dallas County Commissioner as the new CDI Interim Executive Director.
- Limestone Bluffs RC&D Fact Sheet
- Fall Regional Commissioner meeting and Annual Commissioner Conference to be merged into one meeting. Dates – September 8 & 9.
- Annual Awards program information received.

Farm Bill IX Funds Available: Information has been received on the Farm Bill \$ available to SWCD's to employee part-time staff. Siefken presented our request for \$23,098.60.

10-25 Motion made by McCullough to approve the request. Motion seconded by Ostwinkle. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Updates:

