

MINUTES OF THE DUBUQUE SOIL AND WATER
 CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING
 EPWORTH, IOWA
 June 8, 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 6:01 p.m. at the Dubuque Soil & Water Conservation District, Epworth, Iowa on June 8, 2010. Those present included Staff: Theresa Weiss – District Conservationist, Colleen Siefken – State Secretary; Commissioners: Melvin Wilgenbusch, Jerry Ostwinkle, Dave Ruden, Jeff Reiter and Charles McCullough.

Adopt Agenda: Being no additions or changes, the agenda was approved as presented.

10-63 Motion made by Ruden to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by McCullough. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting: Wilgenbusch called for a discussion of the May 11, 2010 meeting minutes.

10-64 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	\$ 32,752.07	\$ 15,081.52	\$ 12,129.91
REAP F/NG	\$ 8,190.65	\$ 4,003.50	\$ 106.04
REAP P	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,050.00	\$ 50.05
UCCW Project			
<i>WSPF Funds</i>			
Grade Stabilization	\$ 158.10	\$ 29,586.00	\$ 124,380.90
Native Landscaping	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 563.00
Rain Garden	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,790.25	\$ 5,709.75
Soil Quality Rest.	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,500.00
Streambank Stab	\$ 0.00	\$ 3,114.00	\$ 3,636.00
TSI	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 3,600.00
Use Exclusion	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,370.00
Water & Sediment			
Control Structure	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,750.00
<i>319 Funds</i>			
Bio-Retention	\$ 1,781.25	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Native Landscaping	\$ 375.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Grade Stabilization	\$ 9,107.74	\$ -14,753.50	\$ 245.76
FRF			
Water & Sediment			
Control Structure	\$ 650.55	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,598.45

Cost Share Applications: Commissioners reviewed the following:

Voluntary

Gerald Conrad, #19960, 1,600' terrace, \$7,585.00 cost share
Gerald Conrad, #19966, 1,400' terrace, \$4,500.00 cost share

FRF

None

REAP

None

UCCW

Shannon Lee Clark, #20022, 178 sq/ft rain garden, \$2,160.00 cost share
Robert Schauer Jr, #19600, 1 Water & Sediment Control Structure, \$9,732.57 cost share
New Melleray Abbey, 30 acres Timber Stand Improvement, \$3,600.00 cost share
Chad Ellis, 30,000 sq ft Soil Quality Restoration, \$5,625.00 cost share

10-65 Motion made by McCullough to approve the above listed applications. Motion seconded by Reiter. Ruden abstained from voting. Motion carried unanimously.

Cost Share Amendment: Commissioners reviewed the following:

Jeff Heiderscheid, #19578, amend both estimate cost (\$2,387.00 to \$3,643.00) and obligated funds (\$1,790.00 to \$2,732.25).

10-66 Motion made by Ruden to approve the amendments. Motion seconded by Reiter. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Ronald Miller, #11777, \$493.00 cost share amount
Wilfred Lueken, #18115, \$2,429.35 cost share amount

10-67 Motion made by Ruden to approve the Certification/Claims. Motion seconded by McCullough. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Ronald Miller, #11777, 1 water & sediment control structure
Wilfred Lueken, #18115, 438' terrace

10-68 Motion made by Ostwinkle to approve the Maintenance Agreements. Motion seconded by Ruden. Motion carried unanimously.

1M/Finance:

- 1M Expense balance \$907.63
- Commissioners reviewed monthly Quickbooks report

10-69 Motion made by Ostwinkle to approve Quickbooks Report. Motion seconded by McCullough. Motion carried unanimously.

Upper Catfish Creek Watershed Project:

- Monthly Report
- Pay Increase – Siefken noted that Eric will be eligible for a 2% cost of living increase on 7/1/2010 and a 4.5% within grade increase effective 7/9/10.
- Administrative Claim in the amount of \$540.31

10-70 Motion made by McCullough to approve the monthly report. Motion seconded by Ostwinkle. Motion carried unanimously.

10-71 Motion made by Ruden to approve the Administrative Claim. Motion seconded by Reiter. Motion carried unanimously.

Correspondence Received:

- Agren Toolshed Purchase – LiDar won't be available until August for Dubuque Co. Agren won't sell us the product until it is available.
- Fishkill Restitution Funds – DSC requests a letter to release the upspent FRF.
- Fall Regional Commissioner meeting and Annual Commissioner Conference to be merged into one meeting. Dates – September 8 & 9.
- Siefken will begin working in Delaware county on Wednesdays on June 29th.
- Father Norman White Memorial scholarship applications were distributed for commissioner review.
- \$125 RAGBRAI Donation Request – Siefken presented a request from the Iowa Soil & Water Conservation Society for a donation to supply bananas, water and postage for postcards for the RAGBRAI riders.
- Siefken presented a Budget Highlights report that was present by Chuck Gipp to all DSC employees last week.

10-72 Motion made by Reiter to fund the \$125 RAGBRAI request. Motion seconded by McCullough. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Updates:

- Dave presented a brief update of RC&D activity. An evaluation of activities of all the RC&D's was recently completed. The Limestone Bluff's RC&D ranked out within the top 25%.

