



WEST POTTAWATTAMIE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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August 19, 2005
 Scheduled time 4:00 PM
 Regular Meeting



Meeting called to order by:	Chairperson Allan Tiarks		
Called to order / adjourned at:	4:10 PM – PM		
Recorder:	Tracy A. Bruun, State Secretary		
Attendees:	<u>COMMISSIONERS</u>		
	Allan Tiarks	Chair	Hardin
	Dean Fischer	Vice-Chair	Neola Twp.
	Dale Huneke		Norwalk Twp.
	<u>STAFF</u>		
	Tracy Bruun	SS	Co. Bluffs State

ADOPT AGENDA

06 - 9 Huneke moved to approve the agenda; Fischer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE MINUTES

06 –10 Fischer moved to approve the minutes from July 25, 2005; Huneke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

ONGOING BUSINESS

Keg Creek funding for FY06:

Discussion:

The four counties received a total of 117,500 with four applications being carried over from spring leaving 90,000 for fall work. Handed out the ranking and approved list sent up from Mills County. West Pottawattamie Soil and Water Conservation District has 2 that carried over, 5 newly approved and 11 pending applications.

Western Heritage Trails Museum:

Discussion:

Update, DuVal is estimating that the entire project will cost \$42,000. There are approximately 89.7 acres of crop that will be newly seeding to natives and an additional 46.9 acres of current natives that will be interseeded to improve the habitat. Some work is planned for this fall with the majority being done in the spring of 2006. Other partners they have approached for financial assistance include Pheasants Forever, Fish & Wildlife Service, National Park Service and NRCS.

TREASURER'S REPORT

District Funds				
SWCD Checking	33,520.68		Brittan	16,134.71
CD (1/07/06)	10,145.85		District Employee Farm Bill(non-cash)	1,648.85
CD (6/1/06)	10,208.50		No-Till Drill (non-cash)	9,768.96
State Funds				
1M Budget 06	2,000.00		3M Budget '05-06	(30,954.00)
3M Budget '02-03	0.00		REAP-Forestry 06	2,010.00
3M Budget '03-04	0.00		REAP-Practices 06	(16,959.00)
3M Budget '04-05	2,530.32		Revolving Loan Funds	9.80
County Funds (L.O.S.T.)				
Total LOST unobligated	146,396.79			

06 – 11 Huneke moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as of 8 / 19 / 05; Fischer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Cost share / Conservation Plans

Conservation Plan Approvals		
Tract	Owner	Note
2492	Fritsch, Bernd	New owner / op – tract split

Application – Fall terraces 50%		
Funds	Applicants	Cost share
L.O.S.T. FY06	Dea, Mike	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Houser, Hurbert Pasture waterways	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Leaders, Ken (subject to field visit)	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Larsen, Shirley	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Larsen, Gary	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Rodenbury, Lyle	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Houser, Hubert (Marilyn Houser owner) terraces	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Hartje, Lowell	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Clausen, Jeremy	\$5,000.00
L.O.S.T. FY06	Wagner, David	\$5,000.00

➔ 06 - 12 Fischer moved to approve the conservation plan, applications, and voucher; Huneke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Farm Bill IV CDI Report:

Discussion:

Handed out the CDI report prepared by Danelle.

Regional RSVP Monday, August 29th Villager in Walnut:

Discussion:

DuVal, Tiarks and Fischer plan to attend.

STAFF REPORTS

SeEVERS:

- Updates on the website.
- Terraces digitized.

Bruun:

- Forgot to request IFIP supplemental. Sent in an email to see if we could still get some funds. Waiting to hear back.

BILLS

Verizon Cell Phone 57.40

Furniture \$19,613.05

(Landscaping demonstration plots \$2,500 approved + 1,200 – donations? Pending until spring 06)

➔ 06 – 13 Huneke moved to approve the bills; Fischer seconded. Motion carried unanimously

CORRESPONDENCE

NRCS letter regarding IC site M-1 FONSI

NEXT MEETING DATES

Proposed Regular SWCD Commissioner Meetings for 2005

Month	Date	Day	Time	Location
September	22	Thursday	7:00 PM	USDA Service Center
October	20	Thursday	7:00 PM	USDA Service Center
November	17	Thursday	3:30 PM	USDA Service Center
December	14	Wednesday	10:00 AM	USDA Service Center

ADJOURN

06 – 14 Huneke moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 PM; Fischer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Tracy A. Bruun, State Secretary 09 / 27 / 05
Date

Allan Tiarks, Chairperson 09 / 27 / 05
Date