

**Becker Soil & Water Conservation District
Board of Supervisors Special Meeting
Wednesday, August 28, 2013**

A special meeting of the Becker Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors was held on Wednesday, August 28, 2013 in the Conference Room of the Ag Center Building located at 809 8th Street SE, Detroit Lakes, Minnesota.

Those present include Supervisors Tony Beck, Kathy Stenger, Jerome Flottemesch, and Don Lefebvre. Others present include District Administrator Peter Mead, District Conservationist Ed Musielewicz, Board of Water and Soil Resources Board conservationists Chad Severts and Matt Fisher.

The Meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Chairman Beck.

Shoreland Cost-Share Contract – Peter Mead presented the following cost-share contract for consideration:

Contract #13-13 with Chad West, shoreline protection. Estimated project cost \$4,387.36; eligible cost share \$2,193.68 or 50% of the project cost, whichever is less. Funding will come from a portion of the 2013 state cost share allocation set aside for shoreland projects.

Motion (Lefebvre, Stenger) to approve the above listed cost-share contract as presented and for the amount listed. Affirmative: Unanimous. Carried.

Other –

There was discussion about shoreline ordinance regarding required setbacks and vegetation disturbance in the shoreland impact zone. It was explained that removal of trees more than two inches (2”) in diameter at the height of four feet (4’) from the ground is not allowed within a shore impact zone except during construction pursuant to a building permit for a Water Oriented Structure. Removal of other natural vegetation within a shore impact zone is allowed only if it is done in a manner that will prevent increased erosion.

Chad Severts introduced Matt Fisher, and spoke briefly of the upcoming CWL grant application period and additional funds that may be available to TSAs for accelerated implementation and technical assistance.

Possible grant applications were discussed for areas north of 2013’s CWL focus area moving towards the Wild Rice Watershed, shoreland projects, and a possible cooperative lake assessment venture with adjacent counties.

Being no further business, motion (Lefebvre, Flottemesch) to adjourn the meeting at 10:47 a.m. Affirmative: Unanimous. Carried.

Approved: Don Lefebvre, Becker SWCD Secretary

Date: September 19, 2013