

**Isanti Conservation District
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**REGULAR SUPERVISORS MEETING
ISANTI CONSERVATION DISTRICT OFFICE
CAMBRIDGE, MN 55008**

**12-15-09
8:00 A. M.**

The regular supervisor's meeting was called to order by Chairman, Wayne Calander.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Wayne Calander, Ray Marsh, Ryan Carpenter, and Al Koczur
Staff Present: Mark DeMuth, Annette Swanson and Josh Bork
Absent: Brian Devries

SECRETARIES REPORT:

Minutes of the regular board meeting held November 17, 2009 were reviewed. M/S Koczur, Marsh to approve the minutes as sent out.

Affirmative: Calander, Koczur, Carpenter and Marsh
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORTS:

The monthly treasurer's report was presented for the Board's review. M/S Marsh, Carpenter to approve the treasurer's report and pay all bills due and payable.

Affirmative: Calander, Koczur, Carpenter and Marsh
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.

STAFF REPORT:

M/S Koczur, Marsh to amend the November minutes motion regarding State Cost Share final payment to read: M/S Marsh, Koczur to approve final payment of State Cost Share funds for Kurt Daudt contract (FY 08-01) in the amount of \$3559.74 for Streambank & Shoreland Protection. Total not to exceed 75% of the total cost. The previous motion had left out the name and contract amount.

The certificate fee in the amount of \$550.00 has been mailed to the Minnesota Department of Agriculture for the 2010 Nursery Stock Dealer Certificate Renewal.

Information on the Rural Preserve Property Tax Program was given to the supervisors. The 2009 MN Legislature created the Rural Preserve Property Tax Program under MS 273.114. In general this program provides tax relief for preserving undeveloped class 2b rural vacant lands that may be subject to a higher valuation for development or recreational purposes. It also provides a "fix" for 2008 modifications to the Green Acres program that rendered class 2b rural vacant lands, ineligible for Green Acres. Landowners have until May 1, 2010 to make decisions about their Green Acres participation. They will then have until May 1, 2013 to complete the transition process to

Rural Preserve Property Tax Program. SWCDs and BWSR were identified in legislation to be involved in the Conservation Management Plan development and approval process.

M/S Koczur, Carpenter to sign the “Acknowledgement of Section 1619 Compliance” This is to amend the previously signed “Mutual Agreement” as supplemented by the “Cooperative Working Agreement”. The purpose of this Acknowledgment of Section 1619 compliance is to require acknowledgment by Isanti SWCD of the requirements of Section 1619 of the Food , Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (the 2008 Farm Bill) which prohibits disclosure of certain information by the Department of Agriculture (USDA) and its cooperators.

**Affirmative: Calander, Koczur, Carpenter and Marsh
Opposed: None
Motion Carried.**

The 2010 tree order forms have been mailed to previous tree customers and upon request.

M/S Koczur, Marsh to approve “partial” payment of State Cost Share funds-Native Buffer Cost Share Program for Barry Wendorff, Isanti County Parks for Anderson Park ----- contract (FY 09-01) in the amount of \$11,175.00

**Affirmative: Calander, Koczur, Carpenter and Marsh
Opposed: None
Motion Carried**

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST:

**Josh Bork, District Conservationist
See attached report.**

RC&D Report:

**See attached report.
January meeting will be in Aitkin County**

ADJOURN:

M/S Koczur, Carpenter to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 A.M.

**Affirmative: Calander, Marsh, Carpenter and Koczur
Opposed: None
Motion carried.**

**Ray Marsh
Board Secretary**