

Worth County Conservation Board

Minutes

June 7, 2012

President Vansteenburg called the meeting to order at 7:12 P.M. Other Board members present were Justin Faber, Matt Smith, and Troy Christensen. Others present were Dean Mueller, Dan Block, Dave Falk, and Jim Hanson.

Faber moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Christensen, motion carried,

Smith motioned to approve the minutes of the May meeting, seconded by Faber, motion carried.

Mueller gave the Director's report

1. Food plots are not done yet, only a couple left to do. The dove plots were in on time and are up, will need weed control on one possibly two of them.
2. We still have not closed on the Prestholt property. NRCS has not been allowed to request a check for payment, not sure why.
3. The old rest room at KQ has been removed and the tank has been filled with 3.8 minus.
4. The Auditor borrowed the old 1T and the 4-H shooting sports trailer to move the voting machines for the primary. If they get new machines before fall they will not need to borrow our truck.
5. WCTA will be burying fiber optic cable up to the enclosed shelter at KQ.
6. There has been more camping activity in the parks than I expected the last two weekends.
7. Jim and I were asked to attend a DNR meeting at Maines Grove to discuss the future of the fish and game trust fund, a license increase and other ideas. There were several meetings around the state and the ideas discussed will be on the DNR website.
8. In case you missed it, Lande has resigned as Director of the DNR and Chuck Gipp was appointed to fill the position.

Motion by Christensen to approve the Director's report, seconded by Smith, motion carried

Block gave the Naturalist's report

1-May	CS KG	Mammas and babies (2)
2-May	nk 1	Eagles
3-May	NK 2	Zoo trip
7-May	Lake Mills 6	Flint knapping and atlatl (3)
8-May	Lake Mills 6	Flint knapping and atlatl (3)
8-May	CS 2	Fossil prairie field trip
9-May	CS 2	Fossil prairie field trip
11-May	CS 4	Pioneer day
14-May	NK 3	River walk, dams
15-May	CS 4	Pilot knob field trip
16-May	CS 5&6	Canoeing (4)
17-May	NK 4	Pioneer day
21-May	NK 5	Hatchet field trips (2)

Ornithology 8 programs NK

5/29-6-1 YNP Manly Camp Cooking (4)
 5/29-6/1 YNP Northwood Camp Cooking (4)

38 programs in may

Young naturalist programs are off to a good start though Nicole ended up on Jury duty and so we had to adjust the schedule. Jim was able to fill in once and we also made use of Adam King as a stand in. In that way we were able to almost maintain the schedule as planned.

Planning an adult trip to the Duluth area for August.

Steak Fry planned for June 22.

We will also have a fair both this year again. Stop by and see us.
 Motion by Smith to approve Naturalist report, seconded by Faber, motion carried.

There was discussion on the future plans of the Falkstone Quarry which was led by Dave Falk. Said he is hoping to be done south of us by early this fall so they can try to berm and pond some water to hold a little head pressure hopefully keeping Kuennen’s Quarry more full. He also talked about the possibility of pumping sump hole water back up to our pits. He said he thought that their quarry operation may reach 450th street in 15 to 20 years possibly affecting us more on the east in the future.

There was discussion changing some of the rental policy at Kuennen’s Quarry, and it was decided to have Mueller and Hanson work on the changes.

There was no further discussion on the Kuennen’s Quarry water level after Falk left.

It was decided that there would be no July Board Meeting due to the Fourth of July Holiday.

Smith moved to pay the following bills

Universal Contractors Inc.	\$9,000.00	Shelter house floor
Electronic Engineering	\$6,181.36	Radio, lights, batteries
Worth County Engineer	\$1,599.56	Fuel
Lawns Plus	\$1,150.00	mowing
Carquest Auto Parts	\$ 970.11	parts
Dave Syverson Ford	\$ 804.98	Truck repair
FarmChem Corp	\$ 730.30	Sprayer parts
Albert Lea Seed House	\$ 585.96	Seed, TREES
Alliant Energy	\$ 581.04	
Schumacher's Nursery	\$ 572.25	trees
Dan Block	\$ 518.22	Phone, uniform
Visa	\$ 467.82	Postage, printer cartridge
CNH Capital	\$ 457.19	parts
Dennis A Distad, Treasurer	\$ 448.16	Drainage assessment
Health Works	\$ 348.00	physical

Green Canopy		\$ 325.00		pump septic tank
Martin Marietta Aggregates		\$ 232.02		rock
Northwood True Value		\$ 230.98		supplies
Jim Hanson		\$ 167.96		phone
Ag Vantage FS, Inc		\$ 137.71		fuel
Jacks Uniforms & Equipment		\$ 128.34		shirts
Manly Junction Signal		\$ 100.00		printing
Northwood Anchor		\$ 100.00		Newsletter/add
Mediacom		\$ 89.95		internet service
Heartland Power Coop		\$ 82.00		
IDOT, Cashiers Office		\$ 70.00		posts
Fallgatters Market		\$ 55.76		supplies
Ver Helst Snyder Drug		\$ 38.40		Office supply
City of Northwood		\$ 34.00		Water
A&I Auto, Inc		\$ 30.68		Tires & repair
Hygenic Laboratory - Accts Receivable		\$ 29.00		Well test
D&D Sales		\$ 28.00		Steak fry tickets
Northwood Welding		\$ 11.40		Custom work
D & L Equipment		\$ 8.40		Mower repair
North Country Eq. LLC		\$ 8.31		UPS
Northwood Lumber		\$ 5.52		Lumber
	Total	\$26,328.38		

Seconded by Faber, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Jim Hanson

Jeff Vansteenburgh

Deputy Director

President