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Kittson SWCD 2018 Special Meeting Wednesday February 28th, 2018 @ 9:30 a.m. Kittson County Courthouse Downstairs Meeting Room

Meeting Minutes

Board Members present included Joe Wilebski, Ron Anderson, CJ Peterson, and Heather Peterson. Justin Dagen was absent.

Staff Present were Jamie Osowski, Jeremy Benson, Justin Muller, and Maddy Rehn.

Meeting was called to order.

Jamie Osowski opened the meeting by explaining the need for this special meeting. Decisions needed to be made on equipment purchases to ensure delivery by the needed deadline.

<u>Equipment Bids</u>: Jeremy detailed the bids the staff had gathered with assistance from Justin. Bids were gathered for a tractor, a drill, a mower, a trailer, and a computer. After studying the bids and some discussion, <u>Joe made a motion to purchase a 75 HP Case from Hanson's Auto and Heather seconded. The motion passed unanimously.</u>

<u>Joe also motioned to purchase an On-The-Go Truax Drill, Heather seconded, and it passed unanimously.</u>

After deciding on which tractor, the board believed it to be in the best interest of the SWCD and its staff to rebid on the trailer to now include ramps and a higher axel weight to accommodate the tractor, drill, and previously purchased side by side. The board also came to the conclusion to rebid the mower as well for a three-point to use behind the tractor.

Jamie then took over to discuss the quotes for a new computer and possibly joining the SWCD Co-op server. It isn't confirmed yet that we will be allowed to put the new computer on the Co-op server, so Heather motioned for the new computer and joining the Co-op if possible, and if not possible for a computer with needed software to be purchased elsewhere. Joe seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

<u>Moose Point:</u> There were bids on the trail clearing at Moose Point Outdoor Learning Center to be opened. As CJ had submitted a bid, Joe opened and read the bids. Bids were also submitted by Anderson Construction and Kris Folland. CJ's bid was the lowest and included two separate mowings so <u>Heather motioned to accept CJ's bid.</u> Joe seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

<u>Weberg Project:</u> The 45 day hold on the Weberg project was lifted and the Army Corps of Engineer permit was issued so the new cost share contract could be approved and progress could be made. <u>Heather motioned to approve the project now that it was permitted, Joe seconded, and it passed unanimously.</u>

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Secretary