



Missouri Department of Natural Resources

MINUTES

MISSOURI SOIL AND WATER DISTRICTS COMMISSION

TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL

LEWIS AND CLARK STATE OFFICE BUILDING

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

July 15, 2013

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE: Charles Ausfahl, H. Ralph Gaw, Thomas Bradley, Gary Vandiver, and Richard Fordyce

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS: SARA PARKER PAULEY, DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES; Harry Bozoian

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE: DR. JON HAGLER, DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE: Judy Grundler; BOB ZIEHMER, DEPT. OF CONSERVATION: Clint Dalbom; DEAN THOMAS PAYNE, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI: Dave Baker

ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT: SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM: Colleen Meredith; ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE: Tim Duggan

ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE: NRCS: Karen Brinkman; MASWCD: Kenny Lovelace

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Christa Moody, Jim Plassmeyer, Ken Struempf, Bill Wilson

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT VIA THE PHONE: Jennifer Pellett

OTHERS PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE: DISTRICTS: Maries: Sandy Stratman; **Cole:** Peggy Lemons; **Oregon:** Jason Kemper, **Livingston:** David Morris, Jake Haley, Kristen Lourenco; **Worth:** Kris Lyle, Ron Ralph, Bill Weimer, Heather Benedict

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Richard Fordyce called the meeting to order in Jefferson City, Missouri, at the Lewis and Clark building at 8:33 am. Poll of commission members was taken: Charles Ausfahl, H. Ralph Gaw, Thomas Bradley, Gary Vandiver, and Richard Fordyce were present, which made a quorum.

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B. COOPERATIVE WORKING AGREEMENT

Richard Fordyce opened the discussion about the Cooperative Working Agreement by reading the letter submitted by the Attorney General's Office, Tim Duggan which is attached.

H. Ralph Gaw stated there were 112 districts that have submitted the Cooperative Working Agreement and all districts need to comply to the same policies and procedures. Mr. Gaw also stated he feels that two districts should not be under a separate set of rules and the other 112 districts operating under another set of rules.

Gary Vandiver stated that it was time to move forward with it being the July 15, 2013 deadline.

Gary Vandiver made a motion that any county that has not submitted a signed Cooperative Working Agreement by the deadline, July 15, 2013; have their funds withheld until a current signed Cooperative Working Agreement has been submitted to the Department. Thomas Bradley seconded the motion. Charles Ausfahl made a motion to amend the Mr. Vandiver's motion by adding an extension to the deadline. Charles Ausfahl's requested an amendment to the motion to extend the deadline by one week. The amendment did not receive a second. A poll vote was taken. Charles Ausfahl opposed the motion. H. Ralph Gaw, Thomas Bradley, Gary Vandiver and Richard Fordyce voted in favor of the motion and the motion passed.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

D. ADJOURNMENT

Richard Fordyce reminded the Commissioners to review the dates of and locations of the Area Meetings. Richard Fordyce indicated that he would attend the meetings in Area 1 and Area 2. Charles Ausfahl will attend the meetings in Area 3 and 5. Thomas Bradley will attend the meeting in Area 8, and H. Ralph Gaw will attend the meetings in Area 4, 6 and 7.

Richard Fordyce also stated the next Soil and Water Districts Commission meeting will be held at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia on August 14, 2013. Mr. Fordyce stated it is important to support agriculture and the Missouri State Fair. Theresa Mueller is the contact person regarding arrangements for the meeting.

Dave Baker stated at the State Fair this year, the Missouri Farm Family Day is August, 12, and the Legislative Day is August 15.

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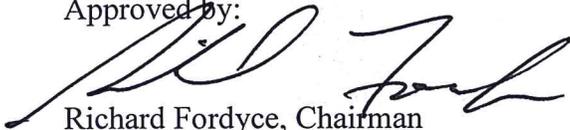
H. Ralph Gaw moved the meeting be adjourned at 9:00 am. Thomas Bradley seconded the motion. A poll vote was taken. Charles Ausfahl, Gary Vandiver, Thomas Bradley, H. Ralph Gaw and Richard Fordyce voted in favor of the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Colleen Meredith, Director
Soil and Water Conservation Program

Approved by:



Richard Fordyce, Chairman
Missouri Soil and Water Districts Commission
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