

# Sand Hill River Watershed District

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## Board of Managers

Bill Brekke, Jr.-Nielsville Stuart Christian-Erskine Roger Hanson-Beltrami Scott Balstad-Fosston Harold Vig-Fosston  
Daniel Wilkens-Administrator April Swenby-Administrative Assistant

## SAND HILL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 26, 2012

**Attendance:** Chairman Todahl called the March 26, 2012 meeting of the Sand Hill Advisory Committee (SHAC) to order at 8:00 a.m. at the Sand Hill Supper Club in Fertile, MN. Other advisory members present were Steve Taylor, Danny Grunhovd, Phillip Swenson, and Rory Hamre. Others in attendance were Craig Bunes – Polk County Commissioner, Roger Hanson -Sand Hill River Watershed District Manager, Harold Vig - Sand Hill River Watershed District Manager Daniel Wilkens – Administrator, and April Swenby – Administrative Assistant.

**Annual Reorganization:** The Annual Organization of the SHAC was conducted. Chairman Todahl turned the meeting over to Daniel who asked for nominations for Chairman of the SHAC. Phillip Swenson nominated Jim Todahl for Chairman. Nominations were called for three times by Wilkens. No further nominations were made. **Motion** to cease nominations and have the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Jim Todahl for Chairman by Craig Bunes, **Seconded** by Rory Hamre, **Carried**. Wilkens returned the chair to Jim Todahl.

**Board Reappointments:** Chairman Todahl stated that Harold Vig and Scott Balstad are up for reappointment on May 17<sup>th</sup> of 2012. Todahl reviewed Scott Balstad's role as a watershed board member. Todahl informed the advisory committee that he was assured he was fulfilling his duty as a Sand Hill River Watershed District Manager and his attendance is good. Balstad is willing to run another term. A **Motion** was made by Steve Taylor to recommend Scott Balstad to the Polk County Commissioners for reappointment, **Seconded** by Phillip Swenson, **Carried**.

Manager Vig submitted his resignation from the Sand Hill River Watershed Board. He felt that the district would be served better and would be better represented (as there are already two managers on the board from the Lakes/Fosston area) if someone in the South corner took his place. Todahl asked Phillip Swenson if he was still interested in a manager position. Swenson would be will to be of service. A **Motion** was made by Danny Grunhovd to recommend Phillip Swenson to the Polk County Commissioners for reappointment, **Seconded** by Steve Taylor, **Carried**.

**Dan's successorship/new managers:** The advisory committee discussed the possibilities for Dan's succession and the possibility of Bill Brekke's retirement during his next term. Matt Erickson was suggested as a possible Advisory Committee member. More discussion was held on possible committee members that could be groomed for the exploration of new managers. The advisory committee discussed the possibilities that the district could take for a new administrator to replace Wilkens. Wilkens is planning on scheduling a follow up meeting with Jody Horntvedt to continue the discussion that took place in December.

**District Activities:** Wilkens gave and update on the Overall Plan and Administrative group discussion on our rules and regulations.

**Adjournment:** The next meeting of the SHAC will be at the call of the chair as needed. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31AM.

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April Swenby, Administrative Assistant

