



LAKE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors

Thursday, July 11th, Noon

408 1st Avenue, Two Harbors, MN 55616

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:06 PM by Chair Todd Ronning.
Present: Ronning-Omarzu-Haus-Sagen-Brodigan
Absent: None
Staff: Tucker-Osborn
Guests: Erin Loeffler (BWSR) O'Niell Tedrow (Northeast Technical Services)
- Agenda: **Motion by Omarzu and seconded by Brodigan to approve the agenda. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen, Brodigan. Abstain: None. Carried.**
- Minutes: **Motion by Sagen and seconded by Haus to approve the minutes for June 13th, 2019 meeting as printed. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen, Brodigan. Abstain: None. Carried.**
- Financial and administrative reports:
- Treasurers Report: **Motion by Sagen and seconded by Brodigan to approve the treasures report as presented. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen, Brodigan. Abstain: None. Carried.**
 - The Auditor came on June 25th we are waiting for the report.
- **Guest Updates:**
- NRCS Report: Jon Sellnow report was reviewed.
- Guest: O'Niell Tedrow gave a presentation on algae growth and the treatments that his company is working on.
- District Manager:
 - Reed Canary Grass project is going well, and we will be submitting for reimbursement.
 - The floor is done and looks wonderful, thank you to everyone that helped with moving stuff out of the way.
 - Cost Share update: A spreadsheet with available funds was reviewed. The contract signed with Leon Spies for a culvert project in Beaver Bay is hopefully moving forward. They are working on getting bids. Passe also had a request for cost-share for a vegetative planting buffer along Lake Superior.
 - Erin Loeffler, Derrick Passe, Sonja Smerud and I met before the meeting to look at the stormwater proposal that Bolt & Menk put together for the City of Two Harbors and Silver Bay. Passe will continue to work with the City of Two Harbors to get an agreement in place. We are requesting the 40% payment. **Motion by Omarzu and seconded by Haus to approve signing the Financial Form showing we have spent the first 50% of funds. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen, Brodigan. Abstain: None. Carried.**
 - The agreement for the WICOLA testing grant had a change in the language. The change was reviewed, and all agreed the change was fine.

- The Consultant is still working on the Job descriptions and the handbook revisions. A new law went into place as of July 1st that adds new documentation requirements for employers.
- Still working on getting an agreement in place for the repairs of the Stewart River.
- Passe is finishing the planting at the Beaver River Project.

Correspondence: NASWCD will be holding meetings throughout the County.

Supervisor Committee Reports and Concerns:

Audit Committee: Motion by Sagen and seconded by Haus to approve the Audit Committee signed 22 Checks and 15 direct/on-line payments for a total of \$68,749.84. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen, Brodigan. Abstain: None.

TSA: Ronning attended and reported that they are in good financial condition. Some challenges are SWCD staff retention and communication.

1W1P: Ronning reported that they had a presentation from MCIT on Joint Powers Boards and how this may be what is needed by the 1W1P policy committees. Concerns about who holds the liability.

AREA III: 4 Resolutions were passed along to the committee. Haus said it was a good meeting with a lot of information shared. The Fall meeting will be held in Hinkley on September 26th

Sagen requested that the Governance 101 be shared when the registration comes out. Tucker will email. September 12-13 in Minneapolis is the information known so far.

Motion to adjourn at 2:58 next meeting will be August 8, 2019 at Noon at 408 1st Avenue.

Submitted by: Karen R. Tucker, District Manager

Doug Haus, Secretary

Upcoming dates:

Area III: Resolution meeting