



## LAKE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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### Minutes

#### Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors

Thursday, June 13th, Noon

408 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Two Harbors, MN 55616

- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:04 PM by Chair Todd Ronning.  
Present: Ronning-Omarzu-Haus-Sagen  
Absent: Brodigan  
Staff: Tucker-Passe  
Guests: Sellnow (NRCS)
- Agenda: **Motion by Sagen and seconded by Haus to approve the agenda with 2 additions. 1)MPCA RRHW Core Team meeting 2)Crayfish video. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen. Abstain: None. Carried.**
- Minutes: **Motion by Omarzu and seconded by Sagen to approve the minutes for May 9th, 2019 meeting as printed. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen. Abstain: None. Carried.**
- Financial and administrative reports:
- Treasurers Report: **Motion by Haus and seconded by Sagen to approve the treasures report as presented. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen. Abstain: None. Carried.**
  - Tucker reviewed information about interest rates and CD's: **Motion by Haus and seconded by Omarzu to approve putting \$60,000 into a 3 month or 6-month CD. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen. Abstain: None. Carried.**
  - The Auditor will be coming on June 25<sup>th</sup>
- **Guest Updates:**
- NRCS Report: Jon Sellnow reported that Lake County has 30 EQUIP contracts and 2 CSP Contracts. He needs to have the Board sign the Civil Rights Responsibilities Partners Checklist. The Board signed.
- Crayfish video was shared.
- District Manager:
  - Tree Sale information.
  - CLP payments will need to be made for the Reed Canary Grass project.
  - We received a \$500 Housing & Redevelopment grant to help pay for the new roof.
  - We received the payment from MCIT for replacing the damaged floor. It is scheduled for July 11-12.
  - The Consultant is still working on the Job descriptions and the handbook revisions. The handbook was reviewed by the board with several questions and comments. Tucker will send them on to the consultant.
  - **Motion by Omarzu and seconded by Haus to approve and sign the Forestry Contract to pay for water sampling for WICOLA as fiscal agent. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen. Abstain: None. Carried.** Tucker will track the different funding sources and bill Calcium to AIS.

- Staff reports: North Shore Mining Company has contacted TSA and Passe about a Streambank Mitigation project that they are required to do as part of a Mile Post 7 expansion. Passe reviewed the maps of the area and talked about possible projects on the Beaver River. This will probably be a fee for service arrangement. They want to have a permit in place by 2020. Implementation would be phased in over 3-5 years.

Passe updated the Board on the Stewart River repairs. Karl Kollar is planning to have funds available after the end of their fiscal year. July 2019-\$261, 094, \$90,000 would be for seeding and planting. Trout Unlimited may have funds also.

**MPCA Core Team Meeting for the RRHW:** Sagen asked that Passe share his thought on the meeting. His main thoughts- 1) Rainy Basin has some impairments 2) Protect the high-quality streams 3) Five lakes have declining trends.

- **Correspondence:** Governance 101 will be held September 12-12 in Minneapolis.

**Supervisor Committee Reports and Concerns:**

**Audit Committee: Motion by Sagen and seconded by Haus to approve the Audit Committee signed 21 Checks and 14 direct/on-line payments for a total of \$49,557. Affirmative: Ronning, Omarzu, Haus, Sagen. Abstain: None.**

RC&D: Ronning attended reported that they are still working with Grand Portage on a buffalo herd and they are looking for ideas for projects. Omarzu suggested Bird City designation.

Forestry: Next meeting will be in MacGregor on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July

Area III meeting is June 14<sup>th</sup>, Haus and Tucker are attending.

**Motion to adjourn at 3:40 next meeting will be July 11, 2019 at Noon at 408 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue.**

**Submitted by: Karen R. Tucker, District Manager**

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**Doug Haus, Secretary**

**Upcoming dates:**

**Area III: Resolution meeting**