**Minutes**

**Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors**

Thursday, December 10th, 12:00 pm

408 1st Avenue, Two Harbors, MN 55616

* Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM via Zoom by Chair Doug Haus.

 Present: Haus-Omarzu-Sagen-Hippert-Brodigan arrived 12:25 PM

 Absent: None

 Staff: Solem, Scranton, Passe, Hogfeldt, Anderson

 Guests: Erin Loeffler (BWSR), Allison Praet & Mike Hup (NRCS), David Abazs

* Agenda: **Motion by Omarzu and seconded by Sagen to approve the agenda as printed. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* Minutes: **Motion by Sagen and seconded by Omarzu to approve the minutes from the November 12th, 2020 meeting. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen. Abstain: Hippert. Carried.**
* Financial and administrative reports:
	+ Treasurers Report: **Motion by Sagen and seconded by Omarzu to approve the treasurer’s report as presented. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Guest Updates:**
* NRCS Report: Allison Praet reported there were 38 EQIP Forestry applications for Lake County and are looking for ways to get more information to land owners for CSP. **Motion by Hippert and seconded by Omarzu to approve support and signing of the NRCS and Lake SWCD MOA. Affirmative: Haus, Hippert, Omarzu, Sagen. Abstain: None.** **Carried.** NRCS will send a more personalized agreement with Lake SWCD at a later date.
* BWSR Report: Erin Loeffler mentioned that ELINK updating and reporting needs to be done by February 1st 2021.
* David Abazs, the newly elected Supervisor introduced himself to the board and presented a great bio.
* **District Manager:** Solem updated the board in regards to the meetings she attended.
* Action items**: Motion made by Sagen and seconded by Brodigan to approve the $28,790 reimbursement for TSA Hockamin Creek Fish Passage Grant. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen, Brodigan, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion made by Omarzu and seconded by Sagen to approve the 2021 MN SWCD Forestry membership dues in the amont of $60. Affirmative: Haus, Brodigan, Sagen, Omarzu, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion made by Sagen and seconded by Brodigan to approve the $50 membership dues for the 2021 National SWCD Association. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen, Brodigan, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion made by Sagen and seconded by Omarzu to approve the $24,203.52 payment to North St Louis SWCD AIS subcontract. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion made by Omarzu and seconded by Hippert to approve the 2021 Lake County AIS contract and annual budget. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion made by Omarzu and seconded by Hippert to approve the 2021 GLRI Terrestial Invasive Grant application. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion made by Sagem and seconded by Hippert to approve the final payment of $1750 for Julie Andrus Cost Share. Affirmative: Haus, Omarzu, Sagen. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion made by Sagen and seconded by Omarzu to approve staff pay increases for 2021 based on positive reviews. Affirmative: Haus, Hippert, Brodigan, Omarzu, Sagen. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Staff Reports:** Anderson updated the board in regards to the AIS budget for 2021. Hogfeldt informed the board of his grant updates. Passe updated the board in regards to his projects.
* **Supervisor Committee Reports and Concerns:** Haus attended the TSA III meeting and discussed membership fees and Clean Water funds. Haus attended the SWCD Forestry meeting. Brodigan attended the RC&D meeting and discussed the carbon credits program.
* Audit Committee: **Motion by Sagen and seconded by Omarzu to approve 15 check payments and 24 direct/on-line payments for a total of $96,908.85.** **Affirmative: Omarzu, Haus, Sagen, Hippert. Abstain: None. Carried.**
* **Motion by Sagen and seconded by Brodigan to adjourn the meeting at 1:58 pm.**

**Next meeting will be held on January 14th, 2021 at Noon via zoom.**

**Submitted by Tara L. Solem, District Manager**

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**Doug Haus, Board Chair**