

AITKIN COUNTY SWCD  
307 2<sup>nd</sup> STREET NW, ROOM 216  
AITKIN, MN 56431

Minutes of the Aitkin County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at the Aitkin County Judicial Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Those attending were:

Bob Janzen, Chair  
Tom Fasteland, Vice Chair  
Frank Turnock, Secretary  
Roger Vogt, Reporter  
Steve Hughes, District Manager  
Lori Nelson, District Secretary

Those absent were:

Bob Roseberg, Treasurer

Additions to the agenda:

- ATV Ordinance
- Hemming Cost-Share Project, \$2500.20
- Klaustermeier, Pine Lake Cost-Share Project, \$1319.38
- Pheasants Forever Agreement
- Per diem discussion, \$125

A motion was made by Tom Fasteland and seconded by Frank Turnock to approve the agenda with additions. Approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve the June 29, 2021 minutes. Approved unanimously.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Tom Fasteland and seconded by Frank Turnock to accept the June financial statement. Approved unanimously.

#### CHECKS WRITTEN

A motion was made by Tom Fasteland and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve the checks written. Approved unanimously.

## AIS UPDATE

- Starry Stonewart found in Leech Lake
- Lynn Pribbenow scheduling inspectors
- Richard Murphy moves the decontamination units
- The 4<sup>th</sup> decontamination unit is due to arrive 7/23/2021. This decontamination unit will go to the Army Corp. campground.

## UNIVERSITY OF MN DULUTH, DR. ALEC LACKMANN

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve payment of \$4,000 to Dr. Alec Lackmann. Approved unanimously.

## SUPERVISOR APPOINTMENT

Steve Hughes will contact Bob Lake and Wayne Anderson and see if they are interested in serving on the SWCD Board. If so he will invite them to attend an August or September SWCD Board meeting.

## DISTRICT CAPACITY COST-SHARE 2020 & 2021/\$20,000 FOR EACH YEAR

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Tom Fastland to approve \$20,000 cost-share from the 2020 District Capacity. Approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Tom Fastland and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve \$20,000 cost-share from 2021 District Capacity. Approved unanimously.

## OCTOBER TOUR

Discussion re: October tour sites to look at pipeline completed, Mary Berry seeding, possibly a Conservation Easement that Jack Granfors has done in the area, Steve Hughes property, etc.

## SNAKE RIVER ORGANIZATIONAL OPTIONS/JULY 27, 2021 COUNTY BOARD MEETING

Discussion. Steve Hughes to attend a County Board meeting on July 27, 2021 to discuss the Snake River Organizational options and recommend the one that most resembles the Snake River Board.

## OTHER

Discussion of the ATV Ordinance. There will be an Ordinance hearing on July 27, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Tom Fastland to send a letter of support. Approved unanimously.

## SNAKE RIVER REPORT (Bob Roseberg)

No report.

## DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

Discussion re: Per Diem \$125 effective 8/1/2021

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Tom Fastland to approve a per diem increase to \$125 for supervisors effective \$125 August 1, 2021. Approved unanimously.

## PHEASANTS FOREVER AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Tom Fastland and seconded by Frank Turnock to approve the Pheasants Forever Agreement July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022. Approved unanimously.

## OBSERVATION WELL AGREEMENT

There are six wells that are checked. The price per well stays the same but checked quarterly with the new contract. A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve the signing of the new Observation Well Contract. Approved unanimously.

## TOM & KAREN DUFFY, COST-SHARE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT/PINE LAKE, WAGNER TWP.

A motion was made by Tom Fastland and seconded by Frank Turnock to approve a cost-share assistance contract for Tom & Karen Duffy, cost-share not to exceed \$1714.49 or 75% of the total eligible cost. Approved unanimously.

## HIGHUM PROJECT/FARM ISLAND

This project isn't ready for approval.

## BOB & HEATHER RYKHUS, CEDAR LAKE/CISCO LAKES GRANT

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve a cost-share assistance contract for Bob & Heather Rykhus, cost-share not to exceed \$300 or 75% of the total eligible cost. Approved unanimously.

## BIG PINE LAKE ASSOCIATION

A motion was made by Roger Vogt and seconded by Tom Fastland to approve a cost-share payment of \$320.59 to Big Pine Lake Association. Approved unanimously.

## JENNIFER & DAVE KLAUSTERMEIER, COST-SHARE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT/PINE LAKE, WAGNER TOWNSHIP

A motion was made by Tom Fastland and seconded by Frank Turnock to approve a cost-share assistance contract for Jennifer & Dave Klaustermeier, cost-share not to exceed \$1319.38 or 75% of the total eligible cost. Approved unanimously.

## DISTRICT TECHNICIAN REPORT (No written report)

- Project update
- 319 Big Sandy Watershed 9 Key Element Plan 10 yr. plan
- Miss/Brd. WRAPS/Daine Erickson will come and do the video this week (Lone Lake)

## DISTRICT TECHNICIAN/FORESTER REPORT

- Stewardship Plan updates
- Woodland Committee Fair Booth
- Forestry Association meeting/Badoura Nursery
- Snake River 1W1P
- Webinars
- Aitkin County Land Dept./Field Day
- Timber harvests
- Forestry Outreach videos

## BUFFER SPECIALIST REPORT

- Buffer Update Report
- Gravel Pit update
- Common Tansy Video Presentation
- Shamrock Township Culvert Inventory completed
- Planning & Zoning
- Rum River 1W1P, August 9 final meeting

## DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST REPORT (Candi)

- CSP update
- EQIP update
- RCPP update

A motion was made by Tom Fastland and seconded by Frank Turnock to have the Chair sign vouchers, Treasurer's report etc. in the absence of the Treasurer. Approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Roger Vogt and seconded by Tom Fastland to adjourn at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Franklin Turnock  
Secretary