AITKIN COUNTY SWCD 307 2nd STREET NW, ROOM #216 AITKIN, MN 56431

Minutes of the Aitkin County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at the Aitkin County Judicial Center. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Those attending were:

Those absent were:

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

Additions to the agenda:

-Area III Resolutions Annual meeting -Kanabec County Newsletter -Per Diem/\$75-\$125 effective 8/2021 -Project Proposal/Tim Graf, Dam Lake/2-part project

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

A motion was made by Tom Fasteland and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve the May 18, 2021 minutes. Approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

CHECKS WRITTEN

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Bob Roseberg to approve checks written. Approved unanimously

AIS UPDATE

-4th Decontamination Unit -Level 2 testing has a new format -5-6 Level 2 inspectors -AIS Meeting/July 15, 2021

WRAPS UPDATE/BRAINERD

Janet will report on the WRAPS Update/Brainerd.

RUM RIVER ONE WATERSHED ONE PLAN

Bob Janzen updated the Board on the Rum River One Watershed One Plan.

UNIVERSITY OF MN DULUTH, DR. ABE LACKMAN/\$4000

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to sign an agreement with University of MN Duluth, Dr. Abe Lackman (May-Sept. sampling, 25 Big Mouth Buffalo fish analyzed and reports). Approved unanimously.

SUPERVISOR APPOINTMENT

Discussion re: District 2 supervisor appointment.

PURCHASING OF A SECOND DRONE

Discussion re: purchasing of a second drone—order the same as we already have so they would be interchangeable.

There is a possible upcoming project (\$30,000) with the Aitkin County Land Dept. to use the drone (lakeshore in CONCON areas).

A motion was made by Roger Vogt and seconded by Frank Turnock to purchase a second drone. Approved unanimously.

COST-SHARE PROJECT REVIEWS AND PAYMENTS

MARY BERRY, SEEDING PROJECT/\$3150

A bill for \$216.87 needs to be sent to Mary Berry. When we receive the payment, we will send the cost-share payment.

A motion was made by Tom Fasteland and seconded by Bob Roseberg to approve payment of \$3150 to Mary Berry when the \$216.87 payment is received from Mary Berry. Approved unanimously.

DAVID MACKAMAN, CEDAR LAKE/CISCO LAKES GRANT, \$2528.20

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve payment of \$2528.20 to David Mackaman. Approved unanimously.

AMY & SCOTT KIRKHOFF, ROUND LAKE /CISCO LAKES GRANT, \$3290.25

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Tom Fasteland to approve payment of \$3290.25 to Amy & Scott Kirkhoff. Approved unanimously.

NANCY MARTHALER, ROUND LAKE/CISCO LAKES GRANT, \$4675.31

A motion was made by Tom Fasteland and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve payment of \$4675.31 to Nancy Marthaler. Approved unanimously.

BIG PINE LAKE ASSOCIATION, SHORELINE BUFFER ENHANCEMENT/ \$322.59

Janet sent out an e-mail earlier asking for approval of this project (3 responded). A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Bob Roseberg to reconfirm the approval of this project. Approved unanimously.

TIM GRAF, SHORELINE BUFFER, DAM LAKE/DISTRICT CAPACITY

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Tom Fasteland to approve the shoreline buffer cost-share project, not to exceed \$8733 or 75% of the total eligible cost, whichever is less. Approved unanimously.

TIM GRAF, STORMWATER RUNOFF MANAGEMENT, DAM LAKE/ DISTRICT CAPACITY

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Tom Fasteland to approve the stormwater runoff management cost-share project, not to exceed \$1777.50 or 75% of the total eligible cost, whichever is less. Approved unanimously.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN/FORESTRY REPORT/KYLE

-Update on Stewardship Plans -Snake River 1W1P -Training/Webinar -Forestry letter mailed -Aitkin County Invasive Species

BUFFER SPECIALIST REPORT/SAM

-Gravel Pits (30 so far) -Buffers -Planning & Zoning, 1-2 violations a week -Rum River 1W1P Technical Advisory meeting July 12, 2021. This should be the last Technical Advisory meeting for this group.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST REPORT/TOM GERVAIS

-Local Work Group meeting is at 1:00 p.m. at the Aitkin Public Library. -Program Update -Staffing Update

MN BWSR UPDATE

Chris Pence did not attend the SWCD Board meeting. Steve Hughes read his report.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

-2022 SWCD draft budget. Steve handed out the 2022 SWCD draft budget and reviewed it with the Board.

OTHER

-Area III Resolutions meeting/June 3, 2021

-Resolution passed -Kanabec County yearly newsletter was passed around and thought it would be a good idea for the Aitkin County SWCD to try a newsletter.

-Leanne Buck, Troy Daniels and John Jaschke attended the Area III Resolution meeting.

-Per Diem for supervisors \$75-\$125 effective 8/2021.

SNAKE RIVER ORGANIZATIONAL OPTIONS

SNAKE RIVER REPORT/BOB ROSEBERG

-Implementation Organizational Arrangement Options for the Snake River 1W1P Policy Committee Members was discussed. Handout was given to the supervisors. This needs to be put on the July SWCD meeting agenda. Steve Hughes to present at the Aitkin County Board. Resolution is needed.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN REPORT (JANET)

WRAPS UPDATE/BRAINERD

The video is the last big effort for the WRAPS/Brainerd project. Daine has been doing some of the video for Morrison and Todd counties and waiting to hear when he will be in Aitkin.

The next SWCD Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Place of the meeting will be determined.

A motion was made by Roger Vogt and seconded by Bob Roseberg to adjourn at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Franklin Turnock Secretary