

**DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES**

Monday, June 11, 2018 – 7:30 A.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday June 11, 2018. Chairman Thoennes called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Members attending were: Thoennes, Barsness, Cleary, Rutten, and Dropik. Also in attendance were: Commissioner Englund, Douglas County Lake Association Board Member, Jan Beliveau, and Staff attending were: Haggenmiller, Albertsen, Anderson, Rice and Arceneau.

Minutes of the regular May 11, 2018 meeting were discussed. Motion by Rutten to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Barsness. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read. Motion by Barsness to approve all paid bills, subject to audit, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried. Cleary reviewed new rates with Bremer Bank. Motion by Rutten to move District funds to Bremer Bank, seconded by Dropik. Motion Carried.

Reports

- A. Coordinator's Report** – Haggenmiller handed out his monthly report.
- B. Pomme De Terre Report** – Barsness reported they met on May 8th. They reviewed Grants, Quarterly Reports and One Watershed One Plan. Next Meeting July 18th.
- C. Sauk River Watershed Report** – Rutten reported they setup Drainage Authority, Sent out Request for Proposals for One Watershed One Plan. The next meeting is scheduled for June 24th.
- D. Chippewa River Report** – They reviewed the draft Join Powers Agreement, interviewed five candidates, 7 Counties adding \$30,000.00 to fund their budget. The next meeting is scheduled for June 18th.
- E. Douglas County Commissioner Report-** Englund reported three Commissioners have filed, Meeting on May 14th at 1:00p.m.

Old Business

- A. MASWCD Call for Resolutions** – No resolutions have been submitted.
- B. Area II Meeting** – June 21st at the Nelson Corral
- C. Supervisor's Filing** – Barsness and Froeming Filed for Districts 1 & 3.
- D. Stolen Truck Update** - Sealed bids were open and the highest bid was \$575.00.

New Business

- A. Field Office Update**–Dybdal mentioned they have asked for help with the 1026's. Still no news on CRP applications. Al Lepp is the new Assistant State Conservationist, Troy Daniell is the new State Conservationist will start in August,
- B. MN DNR Well Monitoring Agreement** Motion by Barsness to sign Agreement, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

- C. **BWSR Farm Bill Assistance Grant** Motion by Rutten to sign grant. Seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- D. **BWSR Position**– Haggemiller reviewed that they are still discussing severance pay.
- E. **Pheasants Forever Partners Agreement** - Motion by Cleary to sign agreement, seconded by Barsness. Motion carried.
- F. **Cost Share Applications** Unpermitted Basin Boring – Craig Thoennes and Jeff Boesl Total Cost \$2,000 Cost Share 75% \$1,500. Motion by Cleary to approve \$1,500 Cost Share for Craig Thoennes and Jeff Boesl, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.
- G. **Low Income Septic Application**–Travis Hinnenkamp- Flat Rate \$6,000. Motion by Barsness to approve Travis Hinnenkamp application, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- H. **Phone Replacement Due to Battery not keeping charge-** Motion by Barsness to purchase Arceneau a replacement phone for \$199.99, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- I. **Grant Application-** Enviroscope Motion by Rutten to sign Grant Application, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.
- J. **MCIT Training** - Motion by Barsness to send Haggemiller to MCIT Training, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- K. **Danielle Anderson’s 6-month Review.** Motion by Rutten to increase hourly rate by \$1.10 to \$21.00 starting current pay period, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- L. **Jessica Albertsen’s 1 Year Review.** Motion by Barsness to increase hourly rate by \$2 19 to \$18.00 starting current pay period, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of June, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #9049-9098 for a total of \$85,853.28 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Barsness to pay the bills, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.

Adjournment. Motion by Barsness to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

Secretary,

Bill Dropik, Secretary