

**DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES**

Tuesday, November 13, 2018 – 7:30 A.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Tuesday November 13, 2018. Vice-Chairman Barsness called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Cleary, Rutten, and Dropik. Thoennes was absent. Also, in attendance were: Newly Elected Supervisor, Rod Froemming, Douglas County Lake Association Member, Jan Beliveau, Mark Dybdal and Staff attending were: Haggenmiller, Albertsen, Anderson, Rice and Arceneau.

Minutes of the regular October 9, 2018 meeting were discussed. Motion by Rutten to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was reviewed. Motion by Cleary to approve all paid bills, subject to audit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

Reports

- A. Coordinator's Report** – Haggenmiller handed out his monthly report.
- B. Pomme De Terre Report**–One Watershed One Plan and their grants were reviewed. WRAP money is available.
- C. Sauk River Watershed Report** – No scheduled meeting has been setup. Anderson attended the WRAP meeting where they set up a sampling schedule through summer 2022.
- D. Chippewa River Report** –next meeting is scheduled for November 19.
- E. BWSR Academy** – Anderson, Albertsen and Arceneau reported on the three-day training workshop they attended at Breezy Point Conference Center October 29-31.
- F. Douglas County Commissioner Report**- No report was given.

G. Old Business

- A. Chippewa River Watershed Plan Position**–Motion by Cleary to hire Ian Olson starting at \$22 per hour starting December 3 seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.
- B. Tree Shed Property Discussion**–Staff have been working with Zacher on several new locations. They are still waiting on quotes for electricity and water hookup charges
- C. Annual Meeting**- Scheduled for December 9-11 at the Doubletree in Bloomington.
- D. 2019 Health Insurance Information**–Haggenmiller reviewed 2019 quotes. Motion by Cleary to approve PEIP Health Insurance as recommended by Haggenmiller, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

New Business

- A. Field Office Update**–Dybdal congratulated Barsness and Froemming on their election. He mentioned ten 1026 were received, ranking twenty-five EQIP applications, processing CSP payments, also mentioned he will be acting DC in Elbow Lake again for a few months.

- B. 2017 Audit** – The Auditor has submitted a draft audit to the State for approval.
- C. Sauk River Watershed, Nature Conservancy Restoration Design Request -**
Motion by Rutten to allocate \$2,000 to the design, seconded by Dropik. Motion Carried.
- D. Douglas County Environmental Legacy Fund Committee Member Appointment -**
Motion by Dropik to appoint Cleary as a Committee Member, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of November, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #9580-9598 for a total of \$47,839.90 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Rutten to pay the bills, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

Adjournment. Motion by Cleary to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

Secretary,

Bill Dropik, Secretary