

**DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES**

Monday, February 11, 2019 – 8:00 A.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday, February 11, 2019. Chairman Barsness called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Rutten, Cleary, Froemming and Dropik. Also, in attendance were: Commissioner Englund, Douglas County Lake Association Board Members, Linda McFann and Steve Henry Sr. Staff attending: Haggemiller, Dybdal, Rice, Olson, Albertsen and Arceneau.

Minutes of the regular January 14, 2019, meeting was discussed. Motion by Cleary to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read. Motion by Rutten to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

Reports

- A. Coordinator's Report** – Haggemiller handed out his monthly report.
- B. Pomme de Terre Update** – No Report – Meeting Cancelled
- C. Sauk River Report** – Form Issues, Paperwork, Priority Setting Issues
- D. Chippewa River Report** – Solving Financial Problems, Meeting with BWSR on Friday, February 15, continue working with MPCA on Grants.
- E. Douglas County Commissioner Report**- Commissioner Englund attended the Counties Conference, Next meeting is February 19.

Old Business

- A. Tree Open House Rescheduled 2-11-19**
- B. Annual Plan of Work Update** Haggemiller handed out a draft for the Supervisors to review.
- C. Tree Shed** – Motion by Rutten sign purchase order for \$160,000 with a \$500 down payment, seconded by Cleary. Motion passed.
- D. Set Supervisors Compensation.** Motion by Rutten to set compensation to \$75 a day, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

New Business

- A. Field Office Update**–Dybdal reported 7 wetland determination requests, 49 EQIP are being planned and ranked, finishing CSP's modifications payments, 7 CRP contracts being modified. Brian Haspo is now working in Grant County.

- B. Area II Meeting – March 20- Morrison SWCD** –Barsness, Rutten, Froemming & Dropik will attend.
- C. Envirothon Donation** – Motion by Rutten to donate \$150 to the Envirothon, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.
- D. Tree Planting Rates** - Motion by Cleary to set 2019 Tree Planting for out of County Rate to \$1 per tree and \$150 delivery fee, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- E. Water Quality Meeting Report** – Steve Henry reported that this is a Douglas County Fund for Matching Grant, West Central Initiative is the fund holder, Board Members are Jerry Rapp, Sara Carlson, Greg Boulin, Mike Cleary, Gene Rose, Steve Henry. The next meeting will be on March 6th.
- F. BWSR Clean Water Grant Agreement** – Motion by Rutten to sign the Clean Water Grant Application, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- G. Douglas County Public Works Vehicle for sale** – Haggenmiller reviewed two trucks public works have for sale. Motion by Cleary to have Haggenmiller check into and if he likes to purchase one truck not to exceed \$12,000, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- H. District Self-Assessment** –Haggenmiller handed out a self-assessment form.
- I. Thank You Delrose Froemming Family**
- J. Andy Rice Three Year Review** – Motion by Cleary to increase wage by \$1.65 per hour (\$29.18), seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of February, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #9657-9673 for a total of \$60,808.50 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Cleary to pay the bills, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

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

Secretary,

Bill Dropik, Secretary