

**DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
MINUTES**

**Monday, April 8, 2019 – 7:30 A.M.**

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Service Center on Monday, April 8, 2019. Chairman Barsness called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Rutten, Cleary, Froemming and Dropik. Also, in attendance were: Commissioner Englund, Douglas County Lake Association Board Member Steve Henry Sr. Staff attending: Haggemiller, Dybdal, Rice, Olson, Anderson, Albertsen and Arceneau.

**Minutes** of the regular March 11, 2019, **meeting** was discussed. Motion by Cleary to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** was read. Motion by Cleary 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** – They reviewed their grants and upcoming projects.
- C. Sauk River Report** – Met on March 29. reviewed and prioritized their upcoming goals. Lake concerns was #1.
- D. Douglas County WQLF** – Cleary reviewed they are in the process of putting together a Technical Committee.
- E. Douglas County Commissioner Report**- Commissioner Englund reviewed Chippewa Watershed Project the possibility of paying back 14% to the Board of Water and Soil Resources. Attended workshop in Nisswa. Meeting with Public Works on 2019 projects. County looking into purchasing the 1<sup>st</sup> Lutheran Church in Alexandria.
- F. Area II Meeting Report** – Supervisor's and Staff reported on the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting they attended in Little Falls.

### Old Business

- A. Tree Shed Purchase** – Closed on March 20<sup>th</sup>. Moving everything over to new shed.
- B. Tree Wiring** - Motion by Rutten to get two bids and use the lowest bid, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

**C. Tree Shed Cooler** - Motion by Cleary to purchase cooler unit from John Arceneau not to exceed \$2,000, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

**New Business**

- A. **Field Office Updated**—Dybdal reported reviewed 3 wetland determination requests, second round for EQIP applications are due April 19, with ranking due May 17. Signup for CSP is due May 10, 12 CRP modification contracts, a yearly contract for the Administrative Assistant Nick Heseltine has been signed.
- B. **Contract for Service with Douglas County** - Motion by Cleary to sign contract for Service with Douglas County, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- C. **MPCA 319 Grant Application.** The District was notified they were awarded the Upper Chippewa Grant.
- D. **Douglas County Lake Association-** It was brought to Haggemiller's attention that a Lake Association Member has been inquiring information from a former SWCD Employee and the Board of Water and Soil Resources on implementing a 1 Watershed 1 Plan for the Long Prairie River Watershed and hiring practices of the SWCD U training of SWCD staff.
- E. **Cost Share Applications FY17 Pit Investigations Clean Water Grant** Motion by Rutten to approve application for Jeff Boesl, Engineering Design Total Cost \$6,600 Cost Share 75% \$4,950.00, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried. A Motion was then made by Cleary to approve Steve Boesl, Engineering Design Total Cost \$6,000 Cost Share 75% 4,500, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

**Bills to Pay.** During the month of April, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #9699-9719 for a total of \$41,000.66 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