

**DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES**

Monday September 14, 2020 – 7:30 A.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met on Monday, September 14, 2020 at the District's tree shed. Chairman Barsness called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Cleary, Dropik, Froemming and Rutten. Also, in attendance were: Commissioner Englund, Staff attending: Haggenmiller, Rice, Albertsen, Anderson, Arceneau and Olson.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular August 10, 2020, **meeting** was discussed. Motion by Rutten to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Cleary. Motion Carried.

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

Reports

- A. **Coordinator's Report** – Haggenmiller read his monthly report.
- B. **Pomme De Terre Update**-Informational Meeting, Board of Soil and Water Resources approved their 1 Watershed1 Plan.
- C. **Sauk River Report** – Voted against 1 Watershed1 Plan Joint Powers Collaboration Agreement.
- D. **Chippewa River Report** – Meeting September 18
- E. **Water Quality Legacy Fund** – No Report
- F. **DCLA Meeting** – Annual Meeting September 14
- G. **Douglas County Commissioner Report**- Commissioner Englund mentioned possible purchasing land on Pilgrim Point, attendance at the Open House on August 20th for the Round About and the Open House for the church.

Old Business

- A. **COVID 19**- Office in Level 1 with office still closed to the public.
- B. **Douglas County 2021 Budget meeting** – no increase-approved 20-21 budget
- C. **2020 Conservation Cooperator** Motion by Rutten to approve Kevin Kroenfeldt, seconded by Froemming. Motion carried.
- D. **2019 Audit Management Letter** - Motion by Cleary to approve 2019 Audit Management Letter, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

New Business

- A. **Field Office Update**–No Report
- B. **Resolution to adopt and implement Pomme De Terre 1Watershed 1Plan** - Motion by Froemming to adopt resolution and implement Pomme De Terre 1 Watershed 1 Plan, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- C. **Long Prairie 1 Watershed 1 Plan** - Motion by Rutten to appoint Dropik to 1 Watershed 1 Plan committee, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.

- D. State Cost Share Cancellation** - Motion by Froemming to cancel Jack Schoeweiler contract because funded through EQIP, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.
- E. Buffer Cost Share Application** - Motion by Cleary to approve Kevin Roers Sec 32 Leaf Valley Township Total Cost Share application of \$5,090.00, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- F. Lake Ida HUC12 CWF Cost Share Application** - Motion by Rutten to approve Kerry Froemming Pit Closure Sec 30 Lake Ida Township 15% Cost Share application for \$1,800.00, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried. Motion by Froemming approve Rod Wussow Cover Crop's Ida township 20 Acres @\$35.00/per acre Cost Share Flat Rate at \$2,100.00, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- G. Lake Carlos 319 Cost Share Application** - Motion by Barsness to approve Kerry Froemming Pit Closure Sec 30 Lake Ida Township 60% Cost Share application for \$7,200.00, seconded by Froemming. Motion carried. Motion by Barsness approve Rod Wussow Cover Crop's Ida township 12 Acres @\$35.00/per acre Cost Share Flat Rate at \$1,260.00, seconded by Froemming. Motion carried.
- H. Upper Chippewa Cost Share Application** - Motion by Rutten to approve Paul Debilzen Sec 5 Millerville Township Pit Closure Total Cost Share 75% \$4,875.00, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- I. Cost Share Payments** - Motion by Froemming to approve Mathew Meyer Low Income Septic Cost Share flat rate payment of \$4,500.00 seconded by Cleary. Motion carried. Motion by Rutten to approve Kevin Krohnfeldt State Cost Share payment 75% \$3,474.00, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried. Motion by Cleary to approve Frank Brandt Lake Ida 75% Cost Share Payment for \$13,201.50, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried
- J. Wetland Conservation Act Application** - Motion by Froemming to approve the BWSR Wetland Conservation Act Application Robert Johnson Sec 21 Urness Township to restore 9.9 acres of wetland, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- K. Leave request Ian Olson – Olson will take 3 weeks off when needed.**

Bills to Pay. During the month of September, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #10180-10208 for a total of \$65,311.93 eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Rutten to pay the bills, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

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

Secretary,

Bill Dropik, Secretary