

**DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT MINUTES**

Monday, July 12, 2021 – 7:30 A.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the Douglas SWCD Tree Shed on Monday, July 12, 2021. Chairman Barsness called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Cleary, Dropik, Rutten, and Froemming. Also, in attendance were: Commissioner Englund, Mark Dybdal, Staff attending: Haggemiller, Albertsen, Anderson, Arceneau, Olson and Rice.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular June 14, 2021, meeting was discussed. Motion by Rutten to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.

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

Reports

- A. Coordinator's Report** – Haggemiller handed out his monthly report.
- B. Pomme de Terre Update** – Barsness reported they reviewed the grants, Committees, Paid Bills.
- C. Sauk River Report** – Reviewed contract, Attorney John Kolb will draft highlights from meeting. Also, waiting on the BWSR 120-day review of the 1W1P.
- D. Chippewa River Report** - Meeting on Friday, July 16.
- E. Water Quality Legacy Fund** – Meeting on June 20th
- F. Douglas County Commissioner Report-** Commissioner Englund mentioned the church remodel will be done by the end of August and then they will start the remodeling of the Courthouse. Wetland Tour will follow the next meeting. Discussion about future roundabouts.
- G. Long Prairie Report** – No meeting until September
- H. DCLA Report** – Meeting on July 14th, 2021.
- I. Area II** - Met at the Willmar Convention Center. Barsness, Rutten and Froemming attended.
- J. BWSR Update** – Pete Waller BWSR Area Conservationist attended the meeting to give the BWSR 2021 Legislative Session Summary Report.

Old Business

A. Covid-19 Office Opening Preparedness- Haggemiller mentioned the FAC committee met and the office is still closed to the public.

New Business

A. Field Office Update—Dybdal gave the NRCS Report. Field Checks are completed, CRP contracts are wrapping up, new rates for CRP, staff are back in the office.

B. Supervisor's Per Diem - Motion by Cleary starting August 1, 2021 Supervisor's Per Diem rate will be \$100, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

C. Juneteenth Holiday - Motion by Cleary to follow the Federal Holiday Schedule, seconded by Rutten. Motion Carried.

D. State Cost Share.

1. Contract Cancellation – Meghan Stodsklev Lakeshore Restoration Project-Cancellation requested by landowner. Motion by Rutten to cancel Meghan Stodsklev Contract, seconded by Froemming. Motion Carried.

2. Application Trent Thoennes Section 4 Ida Township Ag Waste System Total Cost \$87,919.00 Cost Share 75% \$65,939.25 from FY 20 Ida Clean Water Grant. Motion by Froemming to approve Trent Thoennes Application, seconded by Dropik. Motion Carried.

3. Daryl Krohnfeldt Section 10 Ida Township, Ag Waste System Total Cost \$128,276.69 Cost Share \$81,548.25 from FY 20 Ida Clean Water Fund and \$14,659.26 FY20 319 Grant Total Cost 75% \$96, 207.51 Motion by Rutten to approve Daryl Krohnfeldt Cost Share, seconded by Dropik. Motion Carried.

4. Cost Share Payment-Mike Wagner Sec 4 Brandon Township Ag Waste Closure Total Cost \$14,500.00 Cost Share 75% \$10,875.00. Motion by Froemming to approve Mike Wagner Cost Share, seconded by Cleary. Motion Carried.

E. WCA Application KO Storage proposal to fill 8,007 sq.ft. and replace 2:1 through wetland banking. Motion by Froemming to approve WCA Application, seconded by Cleary. Motion Carried.

F. Conservation Tour – Schedule 1st part of September

G. December Meeting Date – December 16th at 3:00 PM

H. Supervisor's Training – Friday, July 16th 9am – 12:00pm

I. Pheasants Forever Local Partners Agreement Motion by Froemming to approve Pheasants Forever Local Partners Agreement, seconded by Dropik Motion Carried.

J. Fair Booth Schedule – Passed around 2021 working schedule.

Bills to Pay. During the month of July, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #10415-10455 for a total of \$24,488.63 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Cleary to pay the bills, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

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

Secretary,

Bill Dropik, Secretary