

**DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT MINUTES**

Monday, November 8, 2021 – 8:00 A.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the Douglas County Administration Building on Monday, November 8, 2021. Chairman Barsness called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Cleary, Dropik, Rutten, and Froemming. Also, in attendance were: Mark Dybdal-NRCS, Staff attending: Haggemiller, Albertsen, Anderson, Arceneau, Olson and Rice.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular October 12, 2021, meeting was discussed. Motion by Cleary to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Froemming. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was read. Motion by Froemming 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** – Barsness reported next meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 12.
- C. Sauk River Report** – Rutten reported next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 1.
- D. Chippewa River Report** – Cleary reported no meeting scheduled.
- E. Water Quality Legacy Fund** – Cleary reported no meeting scheduled.
- F. Douglas County Commissioner Report-** Commissioner Englund was absent.
- G. Long Prairie Report** – Dropik reported no meeting scheduled.
- H. DCLA Report** – Staff reported U of M Aquatic Research Representative spoke on the effects of Zebra Mussels.

Old Business

- A. Covid-19 Office Opening Preparedness-** Haggemiller mentioned the FAC committee met, and the office is still closed to the public.
- B. 2022 Health Insurance-** Motion by Cleary to approve 2022's increase, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.
- C. 2021 MASWCD Annual Meeting**–Arceneau made reservation for Supervisor's and Staff.

New Business

- A. Field Office Update**—Mark Dybdal reported they are working on CSP payments, General signup for EQIP is November 19, CSP is February 24. CSP renewal is in March 2022. Dybdal mentioned that Al Lepp resigned, and that Kellye Leather is the Acting Director
- B. Supervisor's Per Diem**— was discussed. Motion by Cleary to approve the \$125 Per Diem starting December 1, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- C. 2020 Audit**- was reviewed. Motion by Cleary to approve the \$1,250 Fixed Asset limit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried. Cleary then made a motion to approve the 2020 Audit, seconded by Dropik. Motion Carried.
- D. County Ditch 23** – Haggenmiller mentioned that the Engineer has revised the draft.
- E. Wetland Conservation Act.**
1. Robert Kigin – Application to fill 1810 Sq. Ft. of type 2 wetland for construction of garage. Replacement 2:1 ratio through wetland banking. Motion by Cleary to approve Robert Kigin application, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.
 2. Pope Douglas Solid Waste – Application to fill 2814 Sq. Ft. of type 2 wetland for campus expansion. Replacement 2:1 ratio through wetland banking. Motion by Froemming to approve Pope Douglas Solid Waste Application, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
 3. Eric Ristvedt – Application to fill 3408 Sq. Ft. of type 6 wetland for ATV trail. Replacement 2:1 ratio through wetland banking. Motion by Barsness to deny Eric Ristvedt application, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.
- F. FY19 BWSR Upper Chippewa River Watershed Groundwater Protection Grant Amendment** – Motion by Cleary to approve FY19 amendment, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.
- G. FY22 BWSR, CREP Outreach and Implementation Grant Agreement** – Motion by Rutten to approve FY22 Agreement, seconded by Froemming. Motion Carried.

H. Cost Share Payments

1. Del Klimek, Sec. 10 Moe Twp. Septic update total cost \$12,500.00 C/S flat rate \$7,500.00 using FY20 NRBG Septic C/S- Motion by Cleary to approve Del Klimek Septic Update Cost Share of flat rate of \$7,500.00, seconded by Dropik. Motion Carried.

- I. **Computer purchase for Ian Olson – Motion by Rutten to purchase a new computer for Olson, seconded by Cleary.** Motion Carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of November, the Douglas SWCD issued Checks #1154-10523 for a total of \$85,935.25 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Froemming to pay the bills, seconded by Dropik. Motion carried.

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

Secretary,

Bill Dropik, Secretary