

DOUGLAS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES
Monday, July 11, 2022 – 7:30 A.M.

The Douglas Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met at the USDA Conference Room on Monday, July 11, 2022. Chairman Barsness called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m. Members attending were: Barsness, Rutten, Froemming, Dropik and Cleary, Also, in attendance were Commissioner Englund, Cory Walker, Jason Weirnerman, Staff attending: Haggemiller, Rice, Anderson, Olson, Albertsen and Arceneau.

Pledge was recited

Minutes of the regular June 13, 2022, **meeting** was discussed. Motion by Cleary to approve, subject to audit, seconded by Rutten. Motion carried.

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

Reports

- A. Coordinator's Report** – Haggemiller handed out his monthly report.
- B. Pomme de Terre Update** –Met on Friday July 8th, reviewed updated handbook, grants, upcoming grants due the end of August.
- C. Sauk River Report** –Met twice on JD2 dredging and leaving sediment that needs to be removed at the access.
- D. Chippewa River Report** - June meeting canceled. Conservation Tour on Friday, July 15.
- E. Water Quality Legacy Fund**– Next meeting is July 20.
- F. Douglas County Commissioner Report**- County is hoping to spend an additional \$50,000 to help cleanup stuff in Maple Lake. County Fair coming in August, Looking into another vehicle entrance on South side of Administration Building.
- G. Long Prairie Report** –No report given
- H. Jason Weirnerman** – Is the Liaison for 1W1P for Sauk and Long Prairie

Old Business

- A. Area II Meeting** – Had an information meeting. MASWCD update on 2022 Legislative Session.

- B. RIM Violation** Haggenmiller reviewed Easement violation #21-04089-01A. Motion by Rutten to have Barsness sign and send a new Corrective Plan. Seconded by Dropik. Motion Carried.

New Business

- A. Field Office Update**—Walker gave the NRCS Report. Two new full time NRCS employees have started and have been busy with training, Mike Yrjo last day so will be down an Engineering Technician. Kasey has been busy with writing CRP contracts, will be meeting with Haggenmiller on computer seating for the district.
- B. Cost of Living /Budget Meeting August 16 with County** – Haggenmiller will work with Cleary on developing the 2023 budget and to try and work a cost of living in the new budget.
- C. Ian Olson – 6 month -Motion by Cleary to approve .70 per hour increase. Seconded by Froemming.** Motion Carried.

Bills to Pay. During the month of July, the Douglas SWCD #10724-10749 for a total of \$61,222.44 including eFile (State Withholding) and EFTP (Federal Withholding). Motion by Rutten pay the bills, seconded by Cleary. Motion carried.

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

Secretary,

Bill Dropik, Secretary