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MINNESOTA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

The Board of Supervisors of the Kandiyohi Soil and Water Conservation District held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 13, 2019.

Chairperson Youngkrantz called the meeting to order at 2:28 p.m.

Present were Ron Dilley, Doug Hanson, Brandon Smith, Donnel Williamson, and Jane Youngkrantz. Also present were Ellie Dittes, Conservation, Sandy Laumer, Office Manager, Ryan Peterson, RIM Coordinator, Rick Reimer, District Administrator, Melanie Dickman, District Conservationist, and Aaron Wilson, Pheasants Forever Farm Bill Biologist.

Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vouchers were prepared.

Secretary's Report was presented. Motion by Hanson, second by Smith to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on July 9, 2019. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Smith read through the bills for reviewal and payments and presented the Treasurer's Report. Motion by Dilley, second by Williamson to approve the Treasurer's Report and Outstanding Bills as listed in the agenda. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Dilley to amend buffer cost share BC 63FY18 Darrin Caspers from \$136 to \$136.50. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Wilson and Dickman entered the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

Dickman's NRCS Report included: 0 cover crop applications were funded through Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP); 1 EQIP application was funded for cedar removal; 5 Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) applications were funded; 1026's are now 90 days or less behind; 3 Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) contracts are left; Job Approval Authority updated every September; and led discussion on a customer service concern.

Dickman left the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Motion by Hanson, second by Dilley to amend buffer cost share contract BC 3FY18 Gordon Johnson from \$111 to \$55.50. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Williamson to amend buffer cost share contract BC 57FY18 David Peterson from \$267 to \$225. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson, second by Smith to amend buffer cost share contract BC 60FY18 John Hauge from \$867 to \$792. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Dilley to pay buffer cost share contracts:

BC 59FY18 Dean Lippert \$225

BC 63FY18 Darrin Caspers \$136.50

BC 25FY18 Dennis Bredesen \$297

BC 3FY18 Gordon Johnson \$55.50

BC 6FY18 Ray Meyer \$187.50

BC 65FY18 Jason Mages \$75

BC 57FY18 David Peterson \$225

BC 17FY18 Dennis Garberich \$1,771.50

BC 60FY18 John Hauge \$792

BC 62FY18 Kenneth Schmeling \$1615.50

Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson, second by Williamson to approve buffer cost share contract BC 67FY18 Mike Stamer in the amount of \$651. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

County Fair recap included: game at booth was successful; people were interested in seed packets; our booth got ribbon for one of four top booths; and Ruth Post won the rain barrel.

Discussion was held on the Newsletter which included: trying to get email mailing list; send out around same time of year; and staff will meet and discuss article topics.

Reimer led discussion on different Clean Water Fund Applications which included: possible grants to write include a project grant with City of Willmar, Drinking Water, Wellhead protection; Willmar Lakes for Rain Gardens, Shoreline, and Multipurpose Drainage grant. After discussion Reimer said he will be following up on the drinking water grant application.

Reimer's Manager Report included: attended Hawk Creek Policy and advisory meetings and a Consultant was hired and Kick Off meetings will be Sept 5th in evening in Willmar and Renville Sept 6th in morning; attended Crow Advisory meeting; Willmar Lakes meeting to discuss projects; met with City of Willmar on different projects; attended Shoreline Workshop by Stearns SWCD and may be here next year; working with landowners on CREP and WCA banking; working with WCTSA on projects; 6 shoreline projects; 4 windbreak visits; working on WCA; on jury duty this month; attended Chippewa Joint Powers

meeting; working on culvert project with landowner; BWSR projects for Clean Water Funds; and prices for new signs on Highways.

Motion by Smith, second by Dilley to approve 2020-2021 State Cost Share and Conservation Delivery grants for a total of \$67,590. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Dittes Staff Report included: grants training with Tara; MAWQCP field visit; attended Women in Ag Tour; attended pollinator restoration field day training; worked booth at County Fair; helped plant rain garden; attending Cover Crop training in Morris on Thursday; working on compliance checks; working on buffer cost share folders; and discussed having booth at Prairie Pothole Day.

Peterson's staff report included: seed program summary; landowner complaint forwarded to BWSR; helped organize and plant rain garden; helped at County Fair Booth; working on CRP and CREP; and working on RIM inspections.

Laumer's staff report included: grants training with Tara; attended Women in Ag Tour; received check from SW/WC Coop for Insurance refund in amount of \$5,476.63; attended Health Insurance meeting August 7 and premiums will be increased 3.5 % so new rates are single \$600 and family \$1,489; will be receiving MCIT dividend for \$1,590; City of Willmar tax will go into place October 1st for extra .5%; met with auditors yesterday and final audit will be available in 6-8 weeks; helped with fair booth; attending MCIT Risk Management training Sept 19 in St Cloud; handed out staff meeting minutes and list of outstanding bills; updated staff picture on website and discussed updating Supervisor picture; new acting FSA CED is Steve Frericks from Douglas County Office; and MASWCD Governance 101 is in Bloomington on September 12-13 if any supervisors are interested.

Motion by Smith, second by Hanson to approve 2020 renewal for Health Insurance with SW/WC Cooperative. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Dilley, Hanson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Wilson's Pheasant Forever report included: has a few new CRP contracts and he is working on cover checks for CRP.

Youngkrantz led discussion on land purchase by US Fish and Wildlife in Lake Lillian Township.

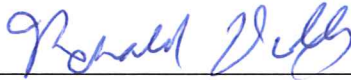
Smith discussed he attended Hawk Creek meeting acknowledged what Reimer had said and he will not be able to attend the Kick Off meeting.

Hanson reported the Crow meeting was cancelled.

Dilley reported Chippewa Watershed had meeting for just board members and Counties will have to pay back money.

Youngkrantz reported that Tara sent her a link from MCIT on open meeting law and various topics and employees should sign form acknowledging the changes on employee handbook and form should be put in personnel folder.

Motion by Smith, second by Williamson to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m.



Ron Dilley, Secretary

Date