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Approved Minutes

The meeting of the Waseca County SWCD Board of Supervisors was held at the Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District's meeting room on Nov. 14, 2013. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Bob Drager, Chairman.

Members Present

Bob Drager, Chairman
Larry Hagen, Secretary
Wayne Cords
Scott Hildebrandt

Staff Present

Darlene Kukuczka, Office Assistant

Others: County Commissioner Mike Hintz and Chris Hughes, BWSR

Oath of office was conducted with newly appointed supervisor. Scott Hildebrandt was sworn in.

Motion by Wayne, second by Larry to approve the agenda as distributed. Motion carried.
Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Motion by Larry, second by Wayne to approve the minutes of Oct. 9, 2013. Motion carried.
Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Cash flow worksheet was reviewed. The treasurer's report dated October, 2013 was presented to the Board for review. Motion by Wayne, second by Larry to approve the Treasurer Report with payroll liabilities changes and file for audit. Motion carried. Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Invoices: Motion by Larry, second by Wayne to approve the payment of the presented invoices.
Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

Supervisors Reports:

Bob Drager and Wayne Cords met with representatives of Steele SWCD to discuss managerial services. Wayne reported that he had not heard back from them yet.

Staff Report: Darlene reported on RC&D and the starting of the dissolving process; GBERBA will be finishing the buffer incentive grant this year; District activities include work on LCCMR project, buffer incentive projects, customers and old tile map requests. Researching expenses related to a CREP contract. MACDE is requesting dues from district employees for 2014 membership. Cost per employee is \$20.00. Motion by Wayne, second by Larry to pay dues for one employee. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

A meeting scheduled through Freeborn SWCD will be held the evening of Dec 10th about managing a lake level for Trenton Lake. Members will be notified of details.

Health Insurance for 2014: The slightly increased premium for 2014 was reviewed.

LCCMR Grant: Partial payment request for City of Waseca for a shore land project. Total cost so far is \$11302.00. \$10,000 was originally encumbered. The partial payment request is for \$7500.00 (75% of the \$10,000) Motion by Wayne, second by Larry to approve the payment to the City of Waseca for \$7500.00. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None
Technical assistance: \$75% of the \$750.00 for district technical assistance of \$562.00 is requested. Motion by Larry, second by Wayne to approve requesting a partial payment of the technical assistance from the grant. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None
The district pays the City of Waseca and gets reimbursed from the grant through LeSueur County hopefully before Dec. 31, 2013.

GBERBA Buffer Incentive projects: GBERBA approved the following projects on Nov 8th contingent on WASECA SWCD approval. Payments are not to be made until after these actions are completed. Administrative sign off designee just for the Buffer incentive program is need.

CWF-SI-11- 81-01 Brent Possin \$2480.00 3.1 acres

CWF-SI-11- 81-02 Barbara Myhre \$4400.00 5.5 acres

Motion by Wayne, second by Larry to accept the above projects for payment, designate Darlene Kukuczka to be the administrative representative and provide the appropriate papers to GBERBA so payments can be made. Motion Carried: Affirmative: All Opposed: None

LeSueur Watershed grant application: GBERBA is working with Mark Leiferman of Waseca county with this application for a small HUC within the watershed. Chris Hughes explained details of this targeted watershed demonstration program. Waseca SWCD wants to be involved if possible and Wayne Cords will be the contact person for the district for the application.

Area 6 SWCD meeting – It was noted that the meeting will be on November 20 in Henderson.

MASWCD 2013 Annual Convention: Details were distributed and it was noted that the convention is Dec. 1-3, 2013.

Misc.: The following correspondence was reviewed:

Information about Consulting Services for Strategic SWCDs

Public notice for Ditch #24 report to discuss repairs on Wed. Nov 20th

News Release- Five year Anniversary of Clean Water land and legacy amendment passage

BWSR has a vacancy on its board.

MCIT Annual meeting is Dec 9

BWSR: Chris Hughes updated the board on the Cooperative weed management grant and the soil erosion and drainage compliance law grants with application deadlines of Dec 13th. He also mentioned the “one plan, one watershed” concepts. BWSR will decide in January who will be the recipients of the FY14 Clean Water Fund applications.

County: Mike Hintz reported on the county’s budget work session meeting held Nov 12th. Tentatively Waseca SWCD, as part of outside appropriations, was not cut. He asked if the county could use the district pickup for a while, as they have one getting repaired. Consensus by the board of supervisors was to allow the county to use the district pick up for some local needs.

Adjourn: The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:30 p.m. by Bob Drager, Chairman.

The Next Board Meeting will be Dec. 12, 2013 at 6:30 P.M. at the Waseca SWCD office.