



WHERE THE FOREST MEETS THE PRAIRIE

Todd County
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SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 13, 2020 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Chairman Buchholz called the Thursday, August 13, 2020 meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was held in person at 17135 281st Ave, Grey Eagle, MN 56336.

Board members present were: Leland Buchholz, Kenny Pesta, Dale Katterhagen, Dan Whitney and Tom Williamson.

Others present were: Adam Ossefoort, Division Director, Deja Anton, District Manager, Sarah Katterhagen, Program Coordinator, Lewis Noska, Conservation Technician, Reba VanBeuseksom, Conservation Technician, Tim Ebnet, Nutrient Management Planner, Russell Kleinschmidt, NRCS, Darlene Drayna, NRCS and Todd Holman, Nature Conservancy.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Buchholz asked if there were any additions to the agenda. **Katterhagen made a motion seconded by Pesta to approve agenda for August 13, 2020 SWCD Board meeting with the addition of approve encumbering FY2019 state cost share funds for Lonna Dille in the amount of \$200.00, contract #14-19 for a well sealing project and add discussion of cover crop grant application for BWSR. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.**

Buchholz called for conflict of interest. No conflict of interest was reported.

Buchholz asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the July 9, regular board meeting. **Katterhagen made a motion, seconded by Williamson to approve the minutes as disbursed from the July 9, 2020 regular board meeting. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.**

Buchholz asked the board to review the Treasurer's Report. Williamson made a motion, seconded by Pesta to accept July's Treasurer's Report with receipts totaling \$53,147.45 and disbursements totaling \$251,857.18. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Todd Holman entered the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

REPORTS: Ossefoort reported the new Planning and Zoning specialist started about two months ago and Ossefoort has been working on county budgets. Board reviewed the rest of the SWCD staff written reports and project report. Drayna reported NRCS is busy working on CRP contracts and slowly are starting to fund projects.

1W1P-SRWD Policy Meeting Update: Will be reviewing the plan.

BWSR Report: See updated handout regarding Local Capacity funding.



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Russell Kleinschmidt entered the meeting at 8:55 a.m.

Introductions were made.

Katterhagen made a motion, seconded by Williamson to approve amending Helle's cost share contact for additional \$4,931.90 from MPCA Partridge River Phase #1 grant for new combined total cost share of \$18,893.00. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Katterhagen made a motion, seconded by Williamson to rescind the above motion as incorrect combined total of cost share was provided. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Katterhagen made a motion, seconded by Williamson to approve amending Helle's cost share contract for additional \$4,931.90 from MPCA Partridge River Phase #1 grant for a new combined total cost share off \$18,983.00. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Whitney made a motion, seconded by Katterhagen to approve payout of Helle's cost share contract #2-08-PR1, 6-19LC for a total of \$18,983.00 from Partridge River Phase #1 and FY2019 Local Capacity. (Partridge River: \$16,172.78; Local Capacity: 2,810.22) Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Williamson made a motion, seconded by Whitney to approve encumbering FY2019 state cost share funds for Ione Mertens, contract #12-19 in the amount of \$137.50 for a well sealing project. (house) Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Katterhagen made a motion, seconded by Whitney to approve encumbering FY2019 state cost share funds for Ione Mertens, contract #13-19 in the amount of \$137.50 for a well sealing projet (barn) Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Whitney made a motion, seconded by Williamson to approve the final 2021 Budget for Soil and Water as presented. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Katterhagen made a motion, seconded by Whitney to accept the FY2020 CREP Outreach and Implementation Grant agreement in the amount of \$32,500.00.

Discussion: Grant was signed by Deja Anton, District Manager and submitted.

Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

Katterhagen made a motion, seconded by Pesta to approve encumbering FY2019 state cost share funds for Lonna Dille, contract #14-19 in the amount of \$200.00 for a well sealing project. Affirmative: Buchholz, Pesta, Katterhagen, Whitney and Williamson. Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION:

County Budget for 600-611 accounts: Board reviewed County budgets for 600-611. No comments were made.



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MASWCD ANNUAL CONVENTION: The Annual Convention has been postponed. Supervisors and District Manager discussed having an outdoor event for Todd SWCD's 2021 Award recipients and discussed inviting the media. Final consensus was to have District Manager contact Lake Beauty to see if SWCD Board of Supervisors could hold their October meeting and awards luncheon at Lake Beauty.

Whitney left the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL:

RIM work order contract was signed with BWSR.

ENVIRO-FEST is on hold.

NACD membership request was received in the mail and no action was taken.

District Manager is working on Cover Crop Grant application and will be submitting the application on Monday.

Discussion of shirts for staff and supervisors was brought up. No action was taken.

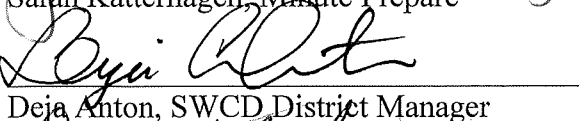
Todd Holman from Nature Conservancy provided an update to the Board about the Sentinel Landscape and the Fort Ripley RCPP. See handout. Looking at applying for Phase II for RCPP, and looking for a letter of support from Todd SWCD and the type of projects that need to get done in that area.

Chairman Buchholz adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

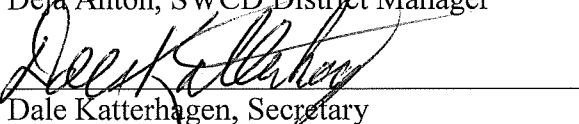
The next meeting of the Todd SWCD Board of Supervisors will be held on September 10, 2020 beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Todd County Historic Courthouse (Commissioner's Board Room), Long Prairie, MN 56347.


Sarah Katterhagen, Minute Prepare

9-10-2020
Date


Deja Anton, SWCD District Manager

9-10-2020
Date


Dale Katterhagen, Secretary

9-10-2020
Date