

DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, June 17, 2021

4:30 P.M.

Conservation Building

912 Houston Street

Preston, MN 55965

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dwyane Ostrem, Travis Willford, Eunice Biel, Tim Gossman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kathryn Tesmer

OTHERS PRESENT: Laura Christensen, Mindy Williamson, Aaren Mathison

Chair Willford called the meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. A quorum is present.

I. Approval of Agenda

Motioned by Gossman seconded by Ostrem to approve the agenda.

Affirmative: Willford, Gossman, Biel, Ostrem. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

II. Treasurer's Report

A. Approve May 2021 Treasurer's Report

Motioned by Ostrem seconded by Biel to approve the May 2021

Treasurer's report, subject to audit. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Ostrem, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

B. Review alternative treasurer report formats.

Discussion. Two formats for a Treasurer's log will be presented to the Board at the July meeting.

Ostrem Exits at 5:05 P.M.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Secretary's Report May 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve the Secretary's report for May, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

- B. Payment of FY2018 Local Capacity Contract LC FY18-08, Jacob Eberts in the amount of \$753.76.

Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve payment of FY2018 Local Capacity Contract LC FY18-08, Jacob Eberts in the amount of \$753.76. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

- C. Payment of FY 2020-2021 Root River 1W1P Watershed Based Implementation Contract RR1W1P 20-01, Glenn Hisey in the amount of \$12,117.78. Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve payment of FY 2020-2021 Root River 1W1P Watershed Based Implementation Contract RR1W1P 20-01, Glenn Hisey in the amount of \$12,117.78. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

- D. Payment of Well Sealing Contract DWP-WS-21-08, Mary Allen in the amount of \$1,500.00.
Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve payment of Well Sealing Contract DWP-WS-21-08, Mary Allen in the amount of \$1,500.00. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried

- E. Payment of FY2020-2021 Watershed Based Funding Contract RR1W1P 20-02, Benno Sand in the amount of \$21,154.14.
Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve payment of FY2020-2021 Watershed Based Funding Contract RR1W1P 20-02, Benno Sand in the amount of \$21,154.14.
Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried

IV. Reports

A. Supervisor's Activity Reports

Willford – EQUIP Meeting

Tesmer – Absent

Gossman- 3rd Graders came to Savannah Springs; Tim gave a presentation on soil and water and tree identification. There were six

teachers and 60 kids in attendance. Forestry planning meeting.
Forestry Field Day is July 28.

Ostrem – EQUIP Meeting

Biel – Statement Opening, EQUIP Working group. Eunice was elected to the MN BWSR Board.

B. Staff Reports

A written report was included in the board packets.

C. Administrator's Report

1. CREP Request for Interest

Request for interest submitted in hopes to receive funding for staff time.

2. Notice From MPCA

An email was sent out to the District Administrator warning a temporary suspension of state contracts because the legislature adjourned before appropriating funds. A decision will be made by June 30th.

D. NRCS Report

A written report was included in board packets.

E. County Report

Bakke Absent

V. Old Business

A. Field to Stream Presentation, Aaren Mathison

A Power Point was shared with the Board.

B. Roadside management update, Aaren Mathison

Update on treatment results for wild parsnip in roadsides, as well as potential remediation for sites with heavy parsnip populations.

C. Discuss MASWCD Resolution ideas.

Discussion Followed.

Motioned by Biel seconded by Gossman to accept both resolutions brought to the Board for MASWCD.

Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none Motion carried.

V1. New Business

A. Consider Final Financial Report for Buffer Law 2020, Grant ID P20-7565.

Motioned by Willford seconded by Biel to consider the final report for Buffer Law 2020, Grant ID P20-7565.

Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none Motion carried.

B. Consider Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract DWPG-2021-24, Richard Rohrer, Nitrogen Rate Trial, in the amount of \$800 per plot per year over two years, totaling \$1,600.00 for the Drinking Water Protection in SE MN grant.

Motioned by Biel seconded by Gossman to approve Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract DWPG-2021-24, Richard Rohrer, Nitrogen Rate Trial, in the amount of \$800 per plot per year over two years, totaling \$1,600.00 for the Drinking Water Protection in SE MN grant.

Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none Motion carried.

C. Consider Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LC FY18-10, Steve McCallson Grade Stabilization Structure in the amount of \$8,186.26.

Motioned by Biel seconded by Gossman to approve Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LC FY18-10, Steve McCallson Grade Stabilization Structure in the amount of \$8,186.26. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none Motion carried.

D. Consider FY2021 Regional Safe Drinking Water for Private Well User Sub-Agreement between the Olmsted Soil and Water Conservation District and Fillmore Soil & Water Conservation District in the amount of \$11,600.00.

Motioned by Gossman seconded by Willford to approve FY2021 Regional Safe Drinking Water for Private Well User Sub-Agreement between the Olmsted Soil and Water Conservation District and Fillmore Soil & Water Conservation District in the amount of \$11,600.00

Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none Motion carried.

E. Consider use of Conservation Building during CWD deer carcass collection season.

- Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve use of the Conservation Building during CWD deer carcass collection season. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.
- F. Discuss 2021 Outstanding Conservationist recommendations.
Discussion. Board needs more info from District 3 Rep.
- G. Consider Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LC FY19-03, Gary Grebin, Grade Stabilization Structure in the amount of \$6,000.00.
Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LC FY19-03, Gary Grebin, Grade Stabilization Structure in the amount of \$6,000.00. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.
- H. Consider Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LC FY19-04, Glen A. Sveen Revocable Trust, Jamie Sveen, Grade Stabilization Structure, Terrance with Underground Outlet, Waterway, in the amount of \$15,045.70.
Motioned by Gossman seconded by Biel to approve Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LC FY19-04, Glen A. Sveen Revocable Trust, Jamie Sveen, Grade Stabilization Structure, Terrance with Underground Outlet, Waterway, in the amount of \$15,045.70. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.
- I. Consider Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract RR1W1P 20-03, Dwayne Ostrem, Grade Stabilization Structure, Grassed Waterway in the amount of \$24,272.81. Motioned by Biel seconded by Gossman to approve Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract RR1W1P 20-03, Dwayne Ostrem, Grade Stabilization Structure, Grassed Waterway in the amount of \$24,272.81.
Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.
- J. Consider MACDE Education Grant Award Contract MEGA-01-21 between the MN Association of Conservation District Employees and Fillmore SWCD.
Motioned by Biel seconded by Gossman to approve MACDE Education Grant Award Contract MEGA-01-21 between the MN Association of Conservation District Employees and Fillmore SWCD.
Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.
- K. Consider Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract DWP-WS-21-09, Jerry Finn, Well Sealing in the amount of \$1500.00.
Motioned by Willford seconded by Gossman to approve Percent Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract DWP-WS-21-09, Jerry Finn, Well Sealing in the amount of \$1500.00.
Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

V11. Accounts Payable

A. Approve June 2021 accounts payable

Motioned by Willford seconded by Gossman to approve the June 2021 payables. Affirmative: Willford, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

B. Supervisor volunteer for statement opening and check review

Willford asked for a volunteer for the statement opening and check review on Thursday July 1, 2021. Willford volunteered.

VIII. Adjournment

Motioned by Willford seconded by Biel to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Gossman, Biel, Willford. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Travis Willford,
Fillmore SWCD Board Chair