



MEETING Minutes

Supervisory Board Meeting 7:00 am September 18, 2018

Attendace: Randy Pederson, Mike Billehus, Tom Talle, Keith Nygaard, Paul Gerde, Kelly Erickson, Holly Kovarik, Nicole Brede, Laurie Aaberg, Jessica Hoheisel, and Jeff Hellerman

Absent: D. Gary Reents

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 a.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. Additions/or corrections to the agenda items were made.
3. Consent Agenda (approved by one motion)-President

a) August 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

b) Resolutions-NONE

<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>

c) Contract/Applications for Approval

<u>Number/Name</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Total Application \$\$</u>
2017 State Cost Share	Extension approval to 12/31/2019	\$19,927
2019 SWCD Local Capacity	Grant agreement	\$100,000
2019 Buffer law	Grant agreement	\$25,000

d) Appropriations/Payments-None

	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description of Payment</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payment Code/Description</u>
1.	Marloo	Spraying	\$2,283	MDA CWMA program
2.				

e) Grant Payment/Project Approvals-

<u>Contract Code</u>	<u>Grant Name</u>	<u>Landowner</u>	<u>Type of Project</u>	<u>Project Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Payment</u>

Keith Nygaard made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented and Randy Pederson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

4. Commissioner Update-Paul Gerde

-The County is working on approving the preliminary budget and he is hoping for a 0% increase. The County Commissioners participated in policy meetings this past week at Arrowwood. He attended a groundwater meeting and they toured and looked at an observation well.

5. Old Business



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- a. 2019 County Appropriation Meeting details were shared with the board. Kovarik and Reents presented the 2019 Appropriation Request to the County. The request was the same as 2018. There were no major concerns or issues discussed.
- b. 2018 Outstanding Conservationist Application Submitted-Shane and Jessica Blair-Kovarik shared that this application has been submitted to the state. She has made a request for a meeting date to present the County Award at the November board meeting with the County Commissioners.
- c. North Fork of the Crow River Water Implementation Partnership MOU-Randy Pederson made a motion to approve and sign this agreement contingent on the County Commissioners signing the agreement. Keith Nygaard seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

6. New Business

1. Projects currently out for bid: Maus, Amundson, Lundebrek, Dean Paulson, Johnshoy-Keith Nygaard made a motion to approve Kurt Amundson contract MCWF05-16 Total project \$40,819.75 and cost share amount of \$30,615 and the Kevin Lundebrek project CWF09+15 \$19,111.03 and MCWF 04-16 \$20,830.97. Mike Billehus seconded encumbering these project funds. The motion passed with all in favor.
2. Well Sealing Project-Randy Pederson made a motion to approve WS04-18 Richard Faehnrich in the amount of 75% and not to exceed \$500 per well. Faehnrich has 2 wells and both meet the maximum requirements to be cost shared at \$500 each. Kovarik asked to encumber \$1,000 from local water management well sealing funds for this work. Keith Nygaard seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

7. Reports

a. Treasurer Report-Mike Billehus made a motion to approve the treasurer report as presented and Randy Pederson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

- i. Monthly Checking Account Report #11247
- ii. Monthly Savings Account Report #870903
- iii. Treasurer Report (3 year comparison)

b) Holly Kovarik, Manager

- RIM Easement Inspections done- 94 count will submit paperwork to the state by the end of September.
- Cost Share Project Inspections to complete October
- RIM/SWAP Updates were shared.
- GBERBA Information was shared with board.



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- Clean Water Council Meeting Updates were shared with the board.
 - Pope and Stevens Water Fest to be held on September 14, 2018
 - Pope and Stevens Conservation Day to be held on September 25, 2018
 - Seasonal assistance-Rich Faehnrich has been assisting with fall sampling and mowing at Rosholt since the intern went back to college.
 - Rosholt JPA discussion
 - 2019 Budget set committee meeting-Kovarik asked the budget committee to meet with her on preparation of the budget.
 - Educational Events Held this month were shared with the board.
 - North Fork Public Participation Plan meeting coming up
 - Chippewa River Watershed planner position is now open
 - Audit Scheduled September 26th, 2018
 - 3rd Quarter is ending working on billable/2nd quarter billable to do for Jessica's time now that she has returned
- c) Kelly Erickson, Technician
- Wetland Conservation Act program updates-Kelly shared information about several WCA projects.
 - Sales Program Updates-We are nearing the completion of the season for doing irrigation water management. He completed 94 RIM reviews. He will be moving on to clipping CRP in the next couple of weeks.
- d) Jessica Hoheisel, District Technician
- CWMA Program Updates-Kovarik has been assisting landowners on contracts and getting this spraying completed. Hoheisel has been working on getting landowners in to sign paperwork and coordinating with Duffy Morton and the Ag Inspectors.
 - She has not been doing much with RIM right now.
 - She has been doing the monitoring at Rosholt.
- e) Nicole Brede, District Technician
- CRP-update on work completed
 - Starting to prepare for 2019 expiring contracts-99 in total.
 - She will be doing fall field checks in October and November.



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- The forester was already out last week to review sites.
- There will be some big changes coming in the farmbill relating to CRP.
- Helped with Conservation Day and Water Fest.

f) Jeff Hellerman, NRCS

- Has completed 3,800 acres of Conservation Technical Assistance.
- He is working on EQIP practices being installed right now.
- WRP there are 3 projects to do this fall.

g) Laurie Aaberg, FSA

- Marybeth is on maternity leave.
- She has hired Abby Goff who currently works in Benson and will start here on October 1, 2018.
- They have a new program called market facilitation program which is due to the tariffs.

8. Board Member Meeting Reports

- Randy Pederson-North Fork Watershed IWIP policy meetings, Glacial Lakes Trail-There was nothing to report.
- Mike Billehus-Chippewa River Watershed Board meeting-There will be a meeting this coming Friday. Mike cannot attend.
- D. Gary Reents-Sauk River Watershed IWIP Policy Committee meetings-no report

9. Upcoming Meetings:

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Meeting Description</u>	<u>Meeting Location</u>	<u>Meeting Time</u>
10-16-18	Pope SWCD Regular Meeting	USDA Service Center	7 a.m.

10. FYI Items

- PERA Rate Increase Aid notice \$550.00 2019
- MDA Reimbursement 2nd quarter received \$80,443.31
- Letter of support submitted for Nutrient Management Specialist for WCTSA
- West Central Area II Meeting September 19, 2018 with legislative panel
- Glacial Hills Educational Day September 7th
- Pope and Stevens Water Fest September 14th
- Pope and Stevens Conservation Day September 25th

11. Adjourn-Keith Nygaard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 a.m. and Randy Pederson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.



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Randy Pedersen

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