

Minutes
Board of Supervisors
December 22nd, 2021
Grant Soil & Water Conservation District

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

Members present:

Randy Larson, Chairman
Paul Groneberg, Vice Chair
Larry Stephens, Member
Jon Nelson, Personnel
Andrew Marks, Treasurer

Others Present:

Brent Gulbrandson, Jared House, Nicole Sumstad, and Reed Peterson (Grant SWCD), T. Giese
(8:08 a.m. – 8:20 a.m.)

Secretary's Report: Stephens made motion to approve the Secretary's Report from the November 24th, 2021, Grant SWCD board meeting. Marks seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Groneberg made motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

T. Giese RIM Application: Gulbrandson and Giese gave an update on the 8.10 acres that T. Giese is wanting to put into the RIM program.

Stephens made a motion to accept the application for T. Giese for the RIM program. Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

MASWCD Convention: Sumstad, Peterson, and Groneberg reported that the convention was educational and that it was great to get back to networking again.

Soil Management Summit: House reported very well put together and educational.

Chippewa River Project: Nelson reported that there was not a meeting this past month but they are continuing to work on finalizing the workplan and the consult contract.

Pomme de Terre River Association: Groneberg updated that there was not a meeting held this past month.

Bois de Sioux – Mustinka Watershed Project: House updated that there was no meeting in December and the next meeting will be January 6, 2022.

RIM JPA Approval: Gulbrandson discussed the steps taken for the funding we can receive and also the E-Sign Options.

Marks made a motion to approve to give Gulbrandson the authority to E-Sign the following contracts: S. Helmen and D. Blume, with Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

CRP/RIM/CREP: Gulbrandson reported that the D. Blume is moving forward again. As of now we have 4 applications being worked on. NRCS is taking different approach with CRP. Discussion.

NRCS Update: NRCS provided Gulbrandson with an update. Gulbrandson reported that CSP payments are done. Continue working on status reviews for CRP.

Budget: House explained the line items on the proposed budget for FY22.

Stephens made motion with Nelson seconded to approve the proposed budget for FY22. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Personnel Review:

Marks made motion to close the meeting to the public at 9:55 a.m., with Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Marks made motion to approve the salary proposal with Stephens seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: Groneberg. Motion carried.

Marks made motion to approve the Blue Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance quote. Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.


Nelson made motion to open the meeting back up to the public at 10:20 a.m., with Marks seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Additional Discussion:

Snow removal problem in the City of Elbow Lake. SWCD staff will be exploring options.

Marks made motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephens seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 a.m.


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