

Minutes
Board of Supervisors
March 24th, 2022
Grant Soil & Water Conservation District

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Members present:

Randy Larson, Chairman

Paul Groneberg, Vice Chairman

Jon Nelson, Personnel

Andrew Marks, Treasurer

Others present: Brent Gulbrandson, Jared House, Nicole Sumstad (Grant SWCD), and Ryan Haspel, NRCS.

Secretary's Report: Groneberg made motion to approve the Secretary's Report from the February 24th, 2022, Grant SWCD board meeting, with the amended changes. Marks seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: House updated on the legislative SWCD aid and introduce a few letters for approval to send to Senators, Representative's, and Lobbyists.

Nelson made a motion to approve sending out letters. Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Chippewa River Project: Nelson reported that there was no meeting held. House updated that there will be a public meeting on April 5th, 2022, and went over the presentation that will include the Ash Landfill site located by Hoffman. The bus tour will be held July 15th, 2022.

Pomme de Terre River Association: Groneberg and House reported on the Soil Health Team Meeting. 32 people were in attendance discussing strip till, no till, cover crops, and possible demo plots. Exploring options for funding.

House gave final update on the Pelican Lake Shoreline Assessment. Nelson made motion with Marks seconded to approve the Pelican Lake Shoreline Assessment. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Bois de Sioux – Mustinka Watershed: Larson reported no meeting held. Gulbrandson stated that the letters were sent out to the critical area landowners on the cover crop incentive. A few people have inquired.

TSA: Marks reported it was voted to move forward with the Northern and Southern POD regions. House filled in that we received a rough draft agreement for the Southern POD area. Attorneys' will review and will be amended at a later date.

Buffer update: House explained the proposed alternative practice. Nelson made a motion to approve Parcel numbers: 05-0058-000, 05-0039-600, 05-0043-000, 05-0054-000, 05-0057-300, 05-0057-500, 11-0107-500, 05-0031-000, 05-0054-100, 05-0047-000, 05-0051-000, 05-0038-500, and 05-0062-000 for alternative practices. Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

House updated on the BWSR push on for the compliant vs. non-compliant, on Judicial ditch 12 and 2. Meeting with BWSR has been set up for Monday, March 30th, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

NRCS: Haspel went over the Civil Rights Compliance Review. EQIP has 1 approval and CSP has 3 approvals.

Area 1: House reported the main discussion was focused on the SWCD Aid and how we can support this bill to help get it passed.

WIA JPA: Gulbrandson updated on the Walk-in Access Program through the MN DNR.

Nelson made motion to approve the WIA JPA for FY2022. Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Arsenic Grant Update: House reported that this grant matures on 12/31/2022. New postcards have been sent out. Next meeting will be on April 20, 2022, to discuss how to open up the R/O systems to everyone.

Website Update: Sumstad reported that the contract has been signed with Lakes Area Web Design and they have begun working on it.

Wendell Rain Garden: Gulbrandson reported that he and Sumstad will be going to the Wendell City Council meeting on Monday April 4th, 2022, to discuss the rain garden proposal in memory of Mary Jo.

Traverse Field Day: House reported on the Travers SWCD Field Day to be held on March 29th, 2022. It will be covering everything from carbon credits, cover crops, and, precision planting.

School Grants: House reported that the Grant SWCD teach and classroom grant programs has been developed and school notification letter are ready to be sent. Nelson made a motion to approve moving forward with the grant programs as presented. Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Nelson, and Marks. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

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

Meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Next meeting will be held on April 28th, 2022, at 8 a.m.



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