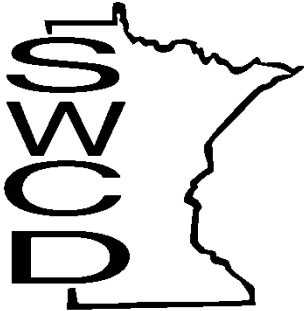


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Members Present:

Mona Henkels-Vice Chairman

Paul Posthuma-Secretary

Karen Hurd-Treasurer

Gary Brinks-P.R.&I.

Member Absent:

Shannon Cohrs- Chairman

Others Present:

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator

Craig Christensen-Program Manager

Cheryl Heard-Soil Conservationist (SC)

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

Additions to Agenda: The chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. The following items will be added to the agenda: Motion to approve MN Ag Water Quality Certification Program contract & payment authorization, Discuss dates to meet with consultant.

Minutes of January 12, 2017: A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Hurd to approve the January 12, 2017 Minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

The monthly Statement of Treasurer was read and filed for audit.

Salaries: A motion by Posthuma seconded by Brinks to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for January 2017.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

DC Report:

ENGINEERING: The NRCS is hoping for funding through EQIP for projects.

EQIP: There are 26 applications to date. There are 2 grazing, 3 structural, 1 pollinator, and 20 cover crop applications. The NRCS is starting to rank the EQIP applications.

1026/spot-checks:

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP): There are 51 2017 CSP applications to date.

CRP: The NRCS is working on CRP eligibility. There are some safe acres and EI acres coming soon.

NRI: The NRI has been completed with 72 total points.

Article to Paper announcing Employee title changes: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Brinks to approve submitting an article to the paper announcing the Employee changes to the Murray SWCD.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

2017 Committee Assignments: A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Posthuma to have the following additional 2017 Committee Assignments:

One Watershed One Plan-Karen, Gary (alternate)

Quarterly County Commissioner Meetings-Mona, Karen (alternate)

Affirmative- Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Updating to Quick Books: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Brinks to purchase Quick Books and approve the accountant transferring the information from Multi Ledger to Quick Books.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Murray SWCD Copier: The Murray SWCD copier is in need of repairs and no longer under contract because the copier is too old. The cost of repairs is around \$1,400.00. A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Posthuma to approve purchasing a Konica Minolta Bizhub C258 copier.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

BWSR Audit: BWSR is in the process of revising their financial reconciliation process to remain in compliance with the MN Office of Grants Management policies. In order to do this BWSR is phasing in a new reconciliation process, which involves reviewing grant spending throughout the life of the grant. The Murray SWCD was audited on the following grants:

Organization	Allocation	Grant Awarded \$	Grant Expense \$
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Murray SWCD Disaster Relief 2015	\$137,235.00	\$106,924.12
Murray SWCD Disaster Relief 2016	\$133,440.00	\$67,191.65
Murray SWCD SWCD Local Capacity Services 2016	\$125,337.00	\$65,119.25

Minnesota Ag Water Quality Certification Program: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Brinks to approve the Minnesota Ag Water Quality Certification Program Contract & Payment Authorization on the following:

Paul Posthuma

Gene Stoel

Travis Stoel

Affirmative-Brinks, Hurd, Henkels

Abstain-Posthuma

Motion carried.

Flood Recovery Cost-Share: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Brinks to approve the date extension of Flood Recovery Cost-Share contract #DR-03 Roger Steinman to install by December 1, 2017.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-none

Motion carried.

MASWCD Legislative Briefing & Day at the Capitol: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Brinks to approve attendance at the MASWCD Legislative Briefing & Day at the Capitol on March 20-21

Bills: A motion by Brinks seconded by Posthuma to pay 13 Murray SWCD bills for \$4,630.19 for February and 4 Murray SWCD bills for \$1,745.47 from January.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 9, 2017.

Approved by Paul Posthuma, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date