

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

“Helping People Help the Land”



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District Technician

Aaron Crowley

Members Present:

Gary Brinks-Chairman

Mona Henkels-Secretary

Karen Hurd-Treasurer

Paul Posthuma-PR&I

Member Absent:

Shannon Cohrs-Vice Chairman

Others Present:

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator

Craig Christensen-Program Manager

Aaron Crowley-District Technician

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

Additions to Agenda: The chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Posthuma to approve the addition of the following:

Resolution packet

SWCD Managers meeting in Baxter on November 18-19

Cost-Share application from John Gilberston for basins

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Minutes of September 10, 2020: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve the Murray SWCD September 10, 2020 minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried

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

DC Report: No Report

Salaries: A motion by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for September-2020.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None.

Motion carried.

Ag Certification contract: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve Ag Certification & payment for Brent Miller.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

FY2021 CWF Capacity & Buffer Grant: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded Henkels to approve the FY2021 Clean Water Fund SWCD Local Capacity Services & Buffer Law Implementation Program Grant Agreement.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

FY2021 SWCD Local Capacity workplan: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve FY2021 Local Capacity workplan with the following:

Laptop with Docking Station

Part of Technician Salary

Cost-Share

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

FY18 Capacity extension: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkles to approve requesting an extension of FY18 SWCD Local Capacity Grant due to the lack of availability of contractors to complete conservation work during construction season.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

State Cost-Share: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve payment of the following:

Judy Andrews #18-01 waterway FY18 State Cost-Share \$2618.00

Murray SWCD (Aaron Crowley) technical.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None
Motion carried.

A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve payment of the following:
Dustin VanDeWiele #18-03 Basins FY18 (\$6,089.20) FY19(1090.04)
NRCS Technical (Allisa Wendland)
Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

Calendars for newsletter: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Hurd to purchase 2021 calendars to be put in the SWCD newsletter.
Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

MACDE State Committee: Lewis updated the Board on the zoom meeting that she attended. The meeting was a State MACDE Board meeting which included NRCS, BWSR, and MASWCD.

State Cost-Share Update: Lewis informed the Board that the staff reviewed the State Cost-Share applications and are in the process of calling the people to see if they are still interested.

Resolutions: The Board was given their resolution packet to review. The ballots need to be into MASWCD by November 12. MASWCD will be conducting the annual business meeting remotely/virtually the morning of Tuesday, December 8, instead of holding an in-person convention.

Managers Meeting: A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve Lewis attending the SWCD State Managers meeting in Baxter on November 18-19, 2020.
Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

Capacity Cost-Share: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve the following application:
John Gilbertson #19-05 FY19 Capacity \$16,461.00 SWCD Technical
Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

WCA Update: Crowley met with a landowner about building a cabin by Lake Shetek. He gave him the set back from the wetland to build the cabin. There was a request for a ditch cleanout and a couple of tile requests.

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Bills: A motion by Henkels seconded by Cohrs to approve Murray SWCD bills from September 11, 2020-October 08, 2020 in the amount of \$17,581.75.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 12, 2020.

Approved by Mona Henkels, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date