

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

"Helping People Help the Land"



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Aaron Crowley

Members Present:

Paul Posthuma-Chairman
Gary Brinks-Vice Chairman
Shannon Cohrs-Secretary
Karen Hurd-Treasurer
Mona Henkels-PR&I

Others Present:

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator
Cheryl Heard-District Conservationist
Craig Christensen-Program Manager
Aaron Crowley-District Technician
Danielle Berg-Auditor
Brooke Swart-Auditor

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

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

Danielle Berg-2018 Murray SWCD Audit update
Area V Meeting
SWMACDE meeting December 4, 2019 in Marshall
2020 SWCD Rent
Missouri 1W1P
Cost-Share Amendment for Mark Beech
Payment to Leon Gunnink Cost-Share
Discuss outstanding tree bill from August, 2018
Change Van DeWiele back to Capacity 2018
Move Paul Erickson to Flood Phase 2

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Minutes of October 10, 2019: A motion was made by Cohrs seconded by Brinks to approve the Murray SWCD October 10, 2019 minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried

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

Salaries: A motion by Cohrs seconded by Hurd to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for October 2019.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

DC Report: Cheryl reported on CSP payments. She is working on getting the landowners paid. The cover crop producers have been paid. The NRCS office in Slayton has a new person, Nancy Sauder from Slayton, MN.

BWSR Academy Update: Lewis and Christensen updated the Board on the sessions they attended at the BWSR academy on October 29-31, 2019.

County Commissioner Meeting on October 15, 2019: The Board was updated on the County Commissioner meeting on October 15, 2019. Mona, Shelly, and Craig attended the meeting, gave an update, and requested their allocation for July-September 2019.

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Flood Recovery Cost-Share:

A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Brinks to approve payment to:

Kevin Vickerman SWPTSA- Technical	#DR3-02	Sediment Basins	Flood Phase 3b	\$16,789.38
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Don Dreesen SWPTSA-Technical Affirmative-Unanimous Opposed-None Motion carried.	#DR3-01	Sediment Basins	Flood Phase 3b	\$44,085.70
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Buffer Cost-Share: A motion was made by Cohrs seconded by Hurd to approve the following:

Twyla Roos Affirmative-Unanimous Opposed-None Motion carried.	Buffer	\$1,650.00
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Rain Gauge Monitor: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Brinks to approve purchasing \$25.00 gift certificates to Jim's Market for the Rain Gauge Monitors.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

WCA update: Aaron updated the Board on current WCA issues. Aaron is looking at a Shetek inlet to make sure there are no wetland areas.

Buffer Update: Craig updated the Board on the Buffers. He has been flying the Drone and looking at them. Craig uses a program to download the pictures from the drone to the computer. Craig will be taking a class on the drone to get certified. The drone is registered with Federal Aviation Administration.

2018 Murray SWCD Audit: Danielle Berg and Brooke Swart joined the Board meeting to give an update on the 2018 Murray SWCD Audit. A motion was made by Cohrs seconded by Henkels to approve the 2018 Murray SWCD Audit as presented to the Board.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

SWMASWCD Area V meeting: A motion was made Cohrs seconded by Brinks to approve attendance at the SWMASWCD Area V meeting at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, Marshall, MN on November 21, 2019.

Affirmative-Unanimous
Opposed-None
Motion carried.

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SWMACDE Meeting: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve staff attending the SWMACDE meeting in Marshall, MN on December 4, 2019.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

2020 SWCD Rent: Lewis called Darrell Hungerford regarding the rent contract for 2020. Darrell is in the process of changing some things and did not want to sign the contract yet. The 2020 SWCD rent will be tabled until the December 12, 2019 SWCD meeting.

Missouri 1W1P: Craig updated the Board on the Missouri 1W1P. A motion was made by Cohrs seconded by Brinks to approve the resolution to adopt and implement the Missouri River Watershed Comprehensive Watershed Plan and to approve the Missouri River Watershed Partnership Joint Powers Agreement.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Cost-Share Amendment: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve amending Mark Beech #18-02 cost-share from \$11,708.55 to the amended amount of \$14,072.25 due to a larger intake is needed after TSA calculated the total drainage area.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Flood Recovery Cost-Share: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Cohrs to approve payment to the following:

Leon Gunnink #DR2-08	Waterways	DRAP Phase 2	\$29,628.75	TSA Technical
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Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Outstanding Tree Bill: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Cohrs to take the customer to small claims court. The District Administrator will contact the customer one more time to see if he will pay on the bill.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

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Conservation Investment FY20 to NACD: A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Cohrs to approve the Gold Level of Conservation Investment FY20 to the National Association of Conservation District.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Flood Recover Cost-Share Phase 2: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Brinks to move Van DeWile #18-03 back to FY18 Capacity Cost-Share from the Flood Recovery Phase 2 C-S.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brinks seconded by Hurd to move Paul Erickson #18-02 from Capacity cost-share to Flood Recover Phase 2 Cost-Share.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Bills: A motion by Henkels seconded by Brinks to pay Murray SWCD bills from October 11, 2019-November 14, 2019 in the amount of \$92,825.59.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 12, 2019.


Approved by Shannon Cohrs, Secretary of District Supervisors

12-12-19
Date