

LINCOLN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT . . .



Helping Bring YOU Clean Water

200 S Co Hwy 5, Suite 2
Ivanhoe, MN 56142
507.694.1630 x3
www.mnlincolnswcd.org

Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District

Minutes of the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District, Regular Meeting, Lincoln SWCD Office, Ivanhoe, MN, June 21, 2023 @ 7:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Dale Fier, Vice Chair
Keith Olsen, Treasurer
Tony Dwire, Secretary
Ronald Bunjer, PRI-

District Staff Present:

Dale Sterzinger, Manager/WCA Admin.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 a.m. June 21, 2023 by Vice Chairperson Dale Fier.

Approve Agenda

- Motion to approve the agenda.
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Dwire
 - Passed- 4-0

Minutes – April 19, 2023 Meeting

- Discussed minutes. No corrections or additions.
- Motion Made to approve the minutes of April 19, 2023 regular meeting
 - Motion- Dwire
 - Second- Bunjer
 - Passed- 4-0

Treasurer's Report

- Motion made to approve Treasurer's report
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Dwire
 - Passed- 4-0

Bills

- Motion made to approve bills
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Olsen
 - Passed- 4-0

The mission of the Lincoln SWCD is to protect and improve the quality of our water, soil, and natural resources by providing programs and services to the citizens and owners of Lincoln County to implement conservation practices.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Meeting was not closed as stated in the agenda

New Hire Discussion

- Discussion was held on the job description for the future new hire with a wage range from \$60 to \$70 Thousand per year.

Acceptance of the resignation of the District 4 Supervisor Position held by Conrad Schardin

- A Motion was made to accept Conrad's resignation from the board
 - Motion- Dwire
 - Second- Bunjer
 - Passed- 4-0

County Budget request

- Discussion was held on the SWCD's budget request to Lincoln County
 - A motion was made to request a 3% increase from last year's budget
 - Motion- Olsen
 - Second- Bunjer
 - Passed- 4-0

Weekend Winners Back back Program Donation

- Motion was made to donate \$1,000 to the program
 - Motion- Dwire
 - Second- Olsen
 - Passed- 4-0

Check signing signature sheet

- Board members signed for check signing authority with First Security Bank of Hendricks

Manager Approved Well Sealing and Alternative intake cost contracts

- Contract number WP-WS-14-2022 Roger Kuhlman one well \$500
- Contract Payment WP-WS-14-2022 Roger Kuhlman one well \$500
- Contract number WP-WS-15-2022 Claire Drake one well \$500
- Contract Payment WP-WS-15-2022 Claire Drake one well \$500
- Contract number WP-WS-16-2022 Pamela Ochocki one well \$500
- Contract number WP-WS-17-2022 Gary Fier one well \$500
- Contract number WP-BI-01-2022 Kelly Sik 5 intakes \$2500
- Discussion was held on all contracts and payments. No approval needed .

RCRCA Joint Powers Agreement

- Board motioned to sign the agreement
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Dwire
 - Passed- 4-0

Redwood Watershed resolution to apply for the planning grant

- Discussion was held to the planning grant resolution that the manager signed on behalf of the Lincoln SWCD.

John Sumerfelt/Chad Reiss waterway issue

- Board motioned to set aside \$1,500 of the 2023 local water management grant for repairs to the waterway and intake due to excessive rain

- Motion- Dwire
- Second- Olsen
- Passed- 4-0

SWCD Aid from the State of MN

- Discussion was held on the general fund stable funding for the MN SWCD's

Pictometry update

- Discussion held on the completion of the update. Also reported that the SWCD paid the \$3,000 dedicated to the project.

Seed Program update

- Manager gave an update on acres remaining, site prep issue's, left over seed and who was hired to help this season.

Tree Program update

- Manager gave an over view of the program.

Ag BMP funding update

- Manager discussed remaining funds and future projects

Watershed Reports

- Manager gave a brief report for each watershed.
 - **Yellow Medicine River One Watershed One Plan**
 - Projects update
 - Issues and concerns were discussed
 - CRP incentive grant and BWSR assistance grants were discussed.
 - Policy and Planning work group meetings discussed
 - **Lac Qui Parle River Watershed One Watershed One Plan**
 - Partners meeting discussed
 - Letters sent out to landowners. 147 letters sent with only 3 reply's back.
 - **Missouri River One Watershed One Plan**
 - CRP incentive grant
 - Conservation Agronomist Position
 - **Redwood Watershed- Local plan basin project**
 - RCRCRA applied for the planning grant. Manager sent the signed resolution to RCRCRA.

Other Business

- **Audit Update**
 - Manager gave a quick update to the 2022 audit being completed by Petersen Company.
- **Change in Board meeting time during daylight savings time from 7:00 am to 8:00 am**
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Olsen
 - Passed- 4-0

The mission of the Lincoln SWCD is to protect and improve the quality of our water, soil, and natural resources by providing programs and services to the citizens and owners of Lincoln County to implement conservation practices.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

