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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA – WEDNESDAY, December 16, 2020 10:00 A.M.

- Approve Agenda
 - Conrad Called meeting to order 10:22- Present: Ron, John, Glen, Dan, Conrad, Mitch, Dale, Randy
 - Motion -Ron,
 - Second Glen
 - Passed 5-0
- Minutes – October 21, 2020 Meeting
 - Motion to approve Minutes Glen,
 - Second John
 - Passed 5-0
- Treasurer’s Report
 - No questions
 - Motion to approve Dan.
 - Second Ron
 - Passed 5-0
- Bills
 - Dale will pay bills as needed
 - Millborn seed bill will need paid up approx. \$2,800
 - Pictometry Bill for 2020 to the County \$20,000
 - Motion to approve Glen,
 - Second Ron
 - Passed 5-0
- Parental Leave Agreement (Conrad)
 - Agree to carry 40 hours of leave for after parental leave for future appointments.
- Wage increases
 - \$1.65 increase for Technician & \$.65 for Admin Assistant
 - Manager will get a 3% increase based on his salary.
 - Motion to approve Ron,
 - Second John
 - Passed 5-0
- COVID Leave
 - Approve up to 80 hrs per calendar year.
 - This will apply for both quarantine related exposure and actual contraction of COVID
 - Dan recommend that the board approves for exposure and or contraction.
 - Board requires proof in writing for proper documentation from Health care officials
 - Also if employee can work from home during quarantine that is acceptable to reduce COVID time leave and keep the office working efficiently.
 - Motion to approve Dan,

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

- Second by Ron
 - Passed 5-0
- MCIT Dividend Payment (\$974)
 - Phone cut out at Government office board was still discussing while technician and manager dialed back into the zoom meeting.
- Pictometry Payment to County (\$20,000)
 - Motion to approve Ron,
 - Second John
 - Passed 5-0
- Payment approved by manager for a Waterway for Paul Fehrman State C/S FY18-01 \$13,015
 - Motion to approve Glen,
 - Second by Dan
 - Passed 5-0
- Payment for Eleanor Fredlund 1 Well WP-WS-09-20 \$500
 - Motion to approve Glen,
 - Second by Dan
 - Passed 5-0
- Payment for Lance Weber 2 wells WP-WS-01-20 \$1,000
 - Motion to approve Ron,
 - Second Dan
 - Passed 5-0
- Payment for Gerald Lasnetski 319-03-20 (dollar amount to be determined)
 - Manager stated he is finalizing the dollar amount, approx.\$43,8575 bill, MPCA 319 grant and YM1W1P combine approx. \$27,000 cost share towards project.
 - Motion John B,
 - Second Dan
 - Passed 5-0
- Approve contract for 1 well for Arleen Derynck WP-WS-12-20
 - Motion to approve Ron,
 - Second Glen
 - Passed 5-0
- Ag BMP update
 - Manager stated still have approx. \$260,000 left to use
 - Manager recently approved a high residue planter for approx. \$114,000
 - No action needed by board
- Ag Water Quality Certification Program update
 - 25 apps in Lincoln county, Manager reported Danielle Evers from Pipestone has handled the applications and is doing a great job. Manager hopes more apps and publicity will take place in house.
 - No action needed by board
- NTD purchase update
 - No updates reported manager.
 - No action needed by board
- Annual Plan for 2021. New method of doing it through E-link.
 - Dale will be handling E-link after the 1st of the year for reporting.
 - No action needed by board
- Water Plan Update
 - Jason Beckler from BWSR and Manager working together so that BWSR can extend the program and continue funds for our local water plan.
 - No action needed by board

- Task force meeting not being held in 2020. Sent letters out for the 2021 budget.
 - Manager proposed keeping the budget the same for 2021
 - No changes in funding moving forward.
 - No reply from Task Force back to manager at this time
 - No action needed from board.
- PF gun raffle. SWCD won a gun manager donated back to PF for Kids raffle.
- Commissioners meeting to approve MOA for Lac Qui Parle Watershed
 - Motion to approve Dan,
 - Second Ron
 - Passed 5-0
- Watershed Reports
 - Lac Qui Parle Watershed Update- MOA approve manager to sign.
 - Manager asked permission to sign MOA to enter the agreement
 - Missouri River 1W1P Update- RCPP Grant- The group applied for 2.4 million and has not heard back yet to date
 - 1 Basin project submitted for funding.
 - Yellow Medicine River 1W1P Update
Jake with TSA has done a great job kicking out and finishing projects reported manager. 30 basins have been built and seeded during the nice Nov and Dec weather reported manger.
 - Redwood TMDL & WRAPS Update
90% complete applying for 1W1P money in 2021
- Other Business
 - John and Board discussing his start date.
 - Dan commented that He himself has been on the board 52 years and John was on the board prior to that.
 - Huge Thank you from Conrad and Manager for the amazing service for the 50+ years of service to John Boulton.
 - Manager and Board chair asked for motion to approve the framing and matting of a Pheasants Forever print to both John Boulton and Joe Weber for their years of service.
 - Motion to approve prints framing and mating Dan,
 - Second Glen
 - Passed 5-0
- Reports:
 - County Commissioner Report
NA
 - District Manager's Report
 - Manager reported trying to use vacation leave the rest of the Calendar year
 - Manager reported Admin Asst Colleen Wichern has started Parenting leave
 - Reported on WCA
 - Administrative Assistant Report
NA – Assistant not present
 - Conservation Technician
 - CRP 2021 seedings getting planned
 - 30 Basins for WASCObS seeded during the nice Nov and Dec
 - BWSR Report

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- District Conservationist Report
Randy Sheik and Kelly From NRCS both reported.
- They expressed concern for EQIP funding and inequity on how those funds are spread across the state. Our unique district has one of the highest applications and workloads in the entire state and the funding and jobs do not support and reflect that fact Randy stated.
Our area needs most conservation based on topography Kelly stated

Dan Asked to turn in timesheets? They can be turned or mailed into the office stated the manager for payment and processing.

Manager stated Board Chair is able to have an additional 2 meeting payments due to his extra work load the last couple months outside of the normal monthly meetings.

Motion to approve Dan,

Second John

Passed 5-0

Motion to Adjourn Meeting Dan,

Second John

Passed 5-0