

LINCOLN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT . . .



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Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District

Minutes of the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District, Regular Meeting, Lincoln SWCD Office, Ivanhoe, MN, January 19, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

Conrad Schardin, Chair
Dale Fier, Vice Chair
Daniel Christianson, Treasurer
Glen Sorensen, Secretary
Absent
Ronald Bunjer, PRI

District/NRCS Staff Present:

Dale Sterzinger, Manager/WCA Admin.
Austin DeVlaeminck, District Technician
Randy Sheik, NRCS
County Commissioner
Not Present

Meeting called to order at 10:00 am January 19, 2022 by Chairperson Conrad Schardin.

Approve Agenda

- Motion to approve the agenda.
 - Motion- Sorensen
 - Second- Fier
 - Passed- 4-0

- **Elections of Officers and Board Officer Appointments (Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Public Relations)** All stay the same Conrad-Chair, Dale-Vice Chair, Glen- Secretary, Dan-Treasurer and Ron-PRI.
Motion Made to keep the board officer appointments the same as 2021.
 - Motion- Sorensen
 - Second- Christianson
 - Passed- 4-0

- **Committee Assignments (1 Primary and 1 Alternate for each)**
 - RCRCA-Glen-Conrad
 - SWPTSA- Dan – Ron
 - Yellow Medicine River Watershed Advisory- Dale-Glen
 - Lac Qui Parle Watershed Advisory- Dan- Glen
 - Missouri 1 Watershed 1 Plan Policy Committee- Conrad- Ron
 - Personnel Committee- Conrad- Dale Fier
 - Budget Committee- Conrad- Dale Fier
 - Motion Made to approve committee assignments
 - Motion- Sorensen
 - Second- Fier

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

- Passed- 4-0
- **Set Mileage Rate** at the new IRS rate of 58.5 cents per mile.
 - Motion- Christianson
 - Second- Fier
 - Passed- 4-0
- **Designate Official Depositories**
Motion to designate – Hendricks First Security Bank (primary), Ivanhoe Bank of West Flex Account
 - Motion- Christianson
 - Second- Sorensen
 - Passed 4-0
- **Designate Official Newspaper-** Ivanhoe Times Newspaper
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Christianson
 - Passed 4-0
- **Designate Check Signing Authority** – All Board Members, Dale Sterzinger and Sam Schardin
 - Motion- Sorensen
 - Second- Christianson
 - Passed- 4-0

- **Determine Monthly Meeting Date and Time-** Leave as is no changes
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Sorensen
 - Passed 4-0

Minutes – November 17, 2021 Meeting

- Discussed minutes. No corrections or additions.
- Motion Made to approve the minutes of November 17, 2021 regular meeting
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Sorensen
 - Passed- 4-0

Treasurer’s Report

- Motion made to approve Treasurer’s report
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Christianson
 - Passed- 4-0

Bills

- Motion made to approve bills
 - Motion- Sorensen
 - Second- Christianson
 - Passed- 4-0

SWPTSA payment for Engineering Services for the Yellow Medicine River 1W1P

- Manager reported on making the payment to the SWPTSA. Manager billed the YMRWD for reimbursement in the amount of \$9,519.58.

MASWCD, SWPTSA, AREA 5 Dues

- Discussion held on the dues paid.

WCA Boundary and Type Determination for the City of Lake Benton EDA

- Discussion was held on the approval of the boundary and type determination by the WCA administrator/Manager.

Restored Wetland Exemption Shaokatan Township

- Discussion was held on the approved exemption and other details of the project.

2021 local water plan budget change

- Discussion held to move \$6,000 from projects to Admin. due to the deadline of the grant
 - Motion- Christianson
 - Second- Sorensen
 - Passed- 4-0

2022 local water plan budget

- Motion was made to put \$5000 extra dollars into projects and pull it from admin to make up for the 2021 grant use of funds for Admin.
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Sorensen
 - Passed- 4-0

Employee Policy Review

- Motion made to approve the changes to the employee policy of dates and add one holiday to the year. Rather than selecting 2 of 3 holidays, (Columbus day, day after Thanksgiving and Good Friday), the board passed to give all three days as holidays for the permanent employees.
 - Motion- Christianson
 - Second- Fier
 - Passed- 4-0

Contract approval for Frank Engels contract number FY-20-01 State Cost Share in the amount of \$14,016 for Basins in Limestone Section 20

- Motion made to approve contract number FY20-01 in the amount of \$14,016 of State Cost Share for basins.
 - Motion- Christianson
 - Second- Sorensen
 - Passed- 4-0

Lincoln County Budget Allocation and Payment Schedule to SWCD

- Discussion informing the board on the budget from Lincoln County and the months the SWCD will receive the funds throughout 2022.

Reporting

- Manager gave a report on all Elink reporting, Ag BMP and WCA Reports

Other Business

- Motion made to approve a Local Capacity 2020 contract for Ron Bedow contract number LC-20-01 in the amount of \$9,431 for basins in Ash Lake Township 35.
 - Motion- Sorensen
 - Second- Christianson

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