# 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, Nielsen Lanes, Ivanhoe, MN, April 21st, 2021 @ 7:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:
Conrad Schardin, Chair
Dale Fier, Vice Chair
Daniel Christianson, Treasurer
Glen Sorensen, Secretary
Ronald Bunjer, PRI

<u>District Staff Present:</u>
Dale Sterzinger, Manager/WCA Admin.
Brad Leibfried, Conservation Technician (8:00)

Meeting called to order at 7:00 a.m. April 21st, 2021 by Chairperson Conrad Schardin.

# **Approve Agenda**

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

# Minutes - February 17th, 2021 Meeting

- Discussed minutes. No corrections or additions.
- Motion Made to approve the minutes of February 17th, 2021 regular meeting
  - Motion- Christianson
  - Second- Bunjer
  - Passed- 4-0

# **Treasurer's Report**

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

# Bills

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

# **New Employee**

Brad Leibfried was introduced and welcomed to the Lincoln SWCD

**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.

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# Approve the hiring of a New District Technician

- Motion made to hire a new district technician. Starting wage approved from \$19-\$23 per hour.
  - o Motion-Sorensen
  - o Second-Bunjer
  - o Passed- 4-0

# **Employee Policy Review**

Discussion had on employee policies and procedures

#### Office Space Discussion

- Discussion had on making office space more private and protected. Motion made to have Minnesota Cabinet's add a divider to the front desk for privacy and protection of the employee due to potential virus situations. District staff are to be stationed in the private office's.
  - o Motion-Bunjer
  - o Second-Sorensen
  - o Passed- 4-0

# Cost share contract for Mark Syltie for basins contract number 319-04-21 for \$19,570

- Motion made to approve contract number 319-04-21 for \$19,570 of 319 funds for basins.
  - Motion- Christianson
  - o Second-Bunjer
  - o Passed-4-0

# Cost share contract For Michael Kramer Well Sealing Contract number WP-WS-01-21 \$1,000 two wells.

- Motion made to approve contract number WP-WS-01-21 for \$1,000 two wells
  - o Motion-Sorensen
  - o Second-Bunjer
  - o Passed-4-0

#### Cost share contract for Dale Sovell Well Sealing contract number WP-WS-02-21 \$500 one well

- Motion made to approve contract number WP-WS-02-21 \$500 one well
  - o Motion-Bunjer
  - Second- Christianson
  - o Passed- 4-0

#### Cost share contract for Mark Dunn Well Sealing contact number WP-WS-03-21 for \$1,000 two wells.

- Motion made to approve contract number WP-WS-03-21 for \$1,000 two wells
  - o Motion-Bunjer
  - o Second-Sorensen
  - o Passed-4-0

# **Hendricks Bank Resolution for signatures**

• Board members present signed the new signature sheet. No motion needed.

# NTD funding update

Discussion was held on funding for the drill. Drill was delivered on April 20th.

# **Programs update**

Manager gave an update on Trees, WCA, Seed, Ag BMP, CREP

#### **GIS Agreement with Lincoln County**

 Discussion held on Brad continuing the GIS program for Lincoln County. Motion made for the Lincoln SWCD to continue working with the GIS program for Lincoln County using a billable rate of wage plus the benefits. Manager is to work with Lincoln County on making the agreement long term or permanent.

# BWSR interview discussion on Alta Vista Basin/Waterway project YM1w1p

• Discussion was held on the Randy Janisewski basin/waterway project and the interview with BWSR that took place.

# Local Work Group Meeting May 19th at 10:00

Discussion was held on the future local work group meeting to be held in May.

#### Area 5 Meeting

• Discussion was held on the area 5 meeting. Conrad was named vice chairperson.

#### **Watershed Reports**

- Manager gave a brief report for each watershed.
  - Yellow Medicine River One Watershed One Plan
    - o Projects update
    - o GIS future plan for projects that are completed
  - Redwood WRAPS
    - Planning update on WRAPS
  - Lac Qui Parle River Watershed One Watershed One Plan
    - Planning update given for One Watershed One Plan
  - Missouri River One Watershed One Plan
    - o Policy meeting was held. Changes will be coming to the cost share policy on basins.
    - o All the dollars have been allocated in the first grant
    - o Enough projects to spend half of the next grant

#### **Other Business**

- Reports:
  - County Commissioner Report- Commissioner Joe Drietz called manager prior to meeting.
     No report given.
  - District Manager's Report
    - o WCA report. Many tile requests to take care of
    - Out of WCA money in the NRBG grant
  - NRCS Report- No report

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for May 19, 2020 @ 7:00 AM Nielsen's lanes. Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 A.M. Motion made by Bunjer, Seconded by Sorensen. Passed 4-0.

APPROVED:	5-19-21	11 m
	DATE	SIGNATURE