LINCOLN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT . . .



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Minutes of the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District, Regular Meeting, USDA Building, Ivanhoe, MN, July 15, 2020 @ 7:00 a.m. via Zoom.

Board Members Present:

Conrad Schardin, Chair John Boulton, Vice Chair Daniel Christianson, Treasurer Glen Sorensen, Secretary Ronald Bunjer, PRI

District Staff Present:

Dale Sterzinger, Manager/WCA Admin.
Colleen Wichern, Administrative Assistant
Mitch Pederson, Conservation Technician
Jason Beckler, BWSR

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Conrad Schardin at 7:00 a.m.

Approve Agenda

- Motion made to approve agenda
 - o Motion Bunjer
 - Second Boulton
 - Passed 4-0

Minutes of June 17, 2020 Regular Meeting

- Discussed Minutes. No corrections or additions.
- Motion made to approve minutes of June 17, 2020 regular meeting.
 - Motion Boulton
 - Second Christianson
 - Passed 4-0

Treasurer's Report

- Motion made to approve Treasurer's Report
 - Motion Sorensen
 - Second Christianson
 - Passed 4-0

Bills

- Motion made to approve July bills
 - Motion Bunjer
 - Second Boulton
 - Passed 4-0

319 cost share contract Randy Janiszeski 319-01-20 \$29,514 Basins, Waterway, Diversion

- Motion made to approve cost share contract 319-01-20 for Randy Janiszeski for \$29,514.00.
 - o Motion Christianson
 - Second Sorensen
 - Passed 4-0

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319 cost share contract Ken Jeremiason 319-02-20 \$19,260 Waterway

- Motion made to approve cost share contract 319-02-20 for Ken Jeremiason for \$19,260.00.
 - o Motion Bunjer
 - Second Boulton
 - Passed 4-0

Well Sealing Contract Kelly Krog WP-WS-06-20 one well \$500

- Motion made to approve well sealing contract WP-WS-06-20 for the sealing of one well for Kelly Krog in the amount of \$500.00
 - Motion Bunjer
 - Second Sorensen
 - Passed 4-0

Alternative intake payment Conrad Schardin WP-BI-01-20 three intakes \$1,500

- Motion made to approve the alternative intake payment of \$1500.00 to Conrad Schardin for three blind intakes on contract WP-BI-01-20
 - o Motion Bunjer
 - Second Boulton
 - Passed 3-0. Schardin abstained

Well Sealing Payment Jerome Krog WP-WS-02-20 two wells \$1,000

- Motion made to approve well sealing payment for Jerome Krog for the sealing of two wells contract WP-WS-02-20 for \$1,000.00
 - Motion Sorensen
 - Second Boulton
 - Passed 4-0

Well Sealing Payment Jeff Flood WP-WS-03-20 one well \$500

- Motion made to approve well sealing payment for Jeff Flood for the sealing of one well contract WP-WS-03-20 for \$500.00
 - Motion Bunjer
 - Second Christianson
 - Passed 4-0

COVID-19 Office Operation discussion and direction

- Motion made to approve up to 80 hours of COVID sick leave for employees.
 - Motion Christianson
 - o Second Bunjer
 - Passed 4-0

Hwy 14 Soil Health Tour update

- Highway 14 Soil Health Tour would like to come to our area in late December or early January for the tour. Lake Benton is a possibility for a location to hold the event.
- Motion made to approve up to \$2,000.00 for the soil health tour and related events for the year.
 - Motion Bunjer
 - o Second Sorensen
 - Passed 4-0

Conservation planning update

• Update was given on the status of where things are at with the conservation plans that need to be done as well as the progress that has been made on the plans.

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WCA No Loss/Financial Assurance Long Road Wind

 Discussion held in regards to the financial assurance Lincoln SWCD received until completion of project.

Great Plains No Till Drill price quote

• Calls have been made to Schrunks in Canby three times with no response back. District Manager will continue to look into other options to get quotes.

Computer Purchases

- Motion made to approve the purchase of two new computers for the federal system.
 - Motion Bunjer
 - Second Boulton
 - Passed 4-0

Watershed Reports

- Lac Qui Parle Watershed
 - Waiting to hear on funding before planning.
- Missouri River 1W1P
 - Implementation dollars have been received.
- Yellow Medicine River 1W1P
 - Currently have 3 projects that have been sent over for approval for funding.
- Redwood TMDL & WRAPS
 - Buffer and MAWQCP information was sent for Wenck.

OTHER BUSINESS

WCA Notice of Application

• There is a WCA Notice of Application for the City of Tyler for an infrastructure study. This was noticed on July 14, 2020.

Madsen Wetland Banking

 3 Bids have been received on the Madsen Wetland Banking. Restoration is to be completed by fall of 2020.

Cost Share Contracts

- Motion made to approve District Manager for the authorized signature to approve cost share contracts up to \$10,000 for the remaining of the 2020 calendar year.
 - o Motion Sorensen
 - Second Bunjer
 - Passed 4-0

REPORTS

- District Managers Report
 - Update on the progress of the signs to be placed throughout the county.
 - Working with the changes that are taking place in the office with employees
- Administrative Assistants Report
 - Report on the status of accounts receivable.
 - Website Updates
 - Working on CREP applications and following up with status' of applications.
 - Working on conservation plans.
- Conservation Technician
 - o Introduction

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- BWSR Report
 - o Cost share workbook has updates to it.
 - o BWSR is currently leaving positions vacant.
 - o Competitive clean water fund RFP is open.
 - o Pilot Program with wellhead protection
 - o Staff is still working from home and cannot attend in person meetings.

The next regu	ılar board meeting is scheduled fo	or August 19, 2020 @ 7:00 A.M.	
Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 A.M. Motion made by Bunjer, Seconded by Sorensen. Passed 4-0.			
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