

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, USDA Building, Ivanhoe, MN, November 20, 2019 @ 10:00 a.m.

Board Members Present:

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

District Staff Present:

Dale Sterzinger, Manager/WCA Admin.
Colleen Wichern, Administrative Assistant
Jacob Harrison, Conservation Tech
Trent Johnson, CREP Technician

Others Present:

Kelly Heather, NRCS
Chris Wall, SWPTSA

Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Conrad Schardin at 10:04 a.m.

Approve Agenda

- Motion made to approve agenda
 - Motion – Bunjer
 - Second –Sorensen
 - Passed – 4-0

Minutes of October 16, 2019 Regular Meeting

- Discussed Minutes. No corrections or additions.
- Motion made to approve minutes of October 16, 2019 regular meeting.
 - Motion – Christianson
 - Second – Bunjer
 - Passed – 4-0

Treasurer's Report

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

Bills

- Motion made to approve November bills
 - Motion – Boulton
 - Second – Christianson
 - Passed – 4-0

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Well Sealing Payment

- Motion made to approve well sealing payment WP-WS-07-19 for Mitchell Kirchner for \$500.00.
 - Motion – Christianon
 - Second – Boulton
 - Passed – 4-0

Staff Changes

- Letter of resignation for Jacob Harrison presented to the board. Motion made to accept the letter of resignation.
 - Motion – Boulton
 - Second – Christianson
 - Passed – 4-0

Yellow Medicine River Watershed

- There is no longer a need to come up with an agreement with the Yellow Medicine River Watershed district for shared services.

Tractor Rental

- Discussion was held in regards to the new tractor agreement for the seed program in the spring.

No-Till Drill Repairs

- The no-till drills need some maintenance and repairs completed so they are field ready in the spring.

BWSR Academy

- Staff gave reports on BWSR Academy.

State Convention

- The annual convention for MASWCD will be held on December 8 – 10 in Bloomington.

Watershed Reports

- Missouri River One Watershed One Plan – JPA Approval
 - Motion made to approve the joint powers agreement for the Missouri River One Watershed One Plan
 - Motion – Bunjer
 - Second – Sorensen
 - Passed – 4-0
 - Motion made for the resolution approval to adopt the Missouri River Plan
 - Motion – Christianson
 - Second – Boulton
 - Passed – 4-0

WCA Boundary and Type Notice of Decision

- Blazing Star 1 Addendum 2 B&T-04-19
- Buffalo Ridge Wind B&T-05-19

MN River Basin Water Quality Success Stories Interview MPCA

- District Manager sat in on a panel to discuss success of MN River Basin Water Quality.

Area 2 MN River Basin Legislative meeting

- Legislative Meeting was held on November 7th

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NACD Dues

- Motion made to approve dues payment of \$775 to National Association of Conservation District.
 - Motion – Christianson
 - Second – Bunjer
 - Passed – 4-0

Audit Report

- Brooke Swart presented the 2018 Audit report completed by Richard Holmberg. Motion made to approve the 2018 audit report.
 - Motion - Bunjer
 - Second – Boulton
 - Passed – 4-0

Personnel Policy

- Motion made to approve personnel policy agreement
 - Motion – Bunjer
 - Second – Sorensen
 - Passed – 4-0

OTHER BUSINESS

EDF Money for Projects

- Motion made to approve sending back the money that was received from EDF for projects. The money is no longer needed as projects will not be able to be completed.
 - Motion – Bunjer
 - Second – Boulton
 - Passed – 4-0

Buffer Cost Share

- Motion made to approve Buffer Cost Share BCS-02-19 for \$600 to Bill Grenz.
 - Motion – Sorensen
 - Second – Bunjer
 - Passed – 4-0

Clothing Allowance

- Motion made to approve a maximum of \$150.00 clothing allowance every two calendar years towards the purchase of clothing with the Lincoln SWCD logo on them for Board Members.
 - Motion – Christianson
 - Second – Bunjer
 - Passed – 4-0

REPORTS

- District Managers Report
 - WCA Update
 - Tile Requests
- Administrative Assistants Report
 - Report on the status of accounts receivable.
 - Report on Open Invoices
 - Open House in December
 - Task Force Meeting

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- Conservation Technicians Report
 - Notification of Non-Compliance letters
 - Tree Program Update
- CREP Technician’s Report
 - Seeding Projects, Dormant Seedings
 - Maintenance on Drills
 - MAWQCP Update
 - CREP Program Update: Outreach Letters are ready to go
- NRCS Report
 - Staff Changes, Updates and Introductions
 - Local Work Group Meeting

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2019 @ 10:00 A.M.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 P.M. Motion made by Bunjer, Seconded by Boulton. Passed 4-0.

APPROVED: _____

DATE

SIGNATURE

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