



Minutes from the February 17, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order Chair Debra Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Members Present:

Al Moline
Marcia Stromgren*
Debra Taylor
John Tollgaard

Others Present:

R.C. Boheim, SWCD Staff
Ann Thompson, SWCD Staff
Tim Beaster, SWCD Staff
Erin Loeffler, BWSR Staff

***Arrived Late**

Agenda The Board reviewed the agenda. Motion by Moline, seconded by Tollgaard to approve the Agenda.

Affirmative: Moline, Taylor, Tollgaard

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Approval of minutes

Minutes from the January meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion by Moline seconded by Tollgaard to approve the Minutes.

Affirmative: Moline, Stromgren, Taylor, Tollgaard

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Financial and Administrative Reports

Financial Reports The Board reviewed the financial reports. Total fund balance as of January 31, 2021 was \$639,265.68. Motion by Stromgren, seconded by Tollgaard to approve the financial report.

Affirmative: Moline, Stromgren, Taylor, Tollgaard

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Treasurer's Report Moline reported he reviewed yesterday and everything checked out fine. Motion by Tollgaard, seconded by Stromgren to approve the report.

Affirmative: Moline, Stromgren, Taylor, Tollgaard

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

COVID-19 response Boheim reported that there are no updates. Staff continue working from home per the Governor's Executive Orders.

District 4 Supervisor Two application were received so far. The Board agreed to keep the application period open another two weeks. Board members should send Taylor potential questions for interviews of potential candidates at the next meeting.

State Cost-share Program None

Grant Agreements

CPL Grant Chester Creek - \$400,000 Thompson reviewed the project. Motion by Moline, seconded by Tollgaard to approve the grant agreement with DNR.

Affirmative: Moline, Stromgren, Taylor, Tollgaard

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Project Presentations Beaster and Thompson gave presentations about projects completed during this past year.

District Conservationist's Report No report

Committee and Board Membership Reports

Area III SWCD Technical Service Area (Nonpoint Engineering Assistance) Meets in March.

SWCD Forestry Association No report.

Laurentian Resource Conservation & Development No report.

MASWCD Northeast Area 3 Taylor has been appointed to the Minnesota Association of Conservation Districts Legislative Committee.

St. Louis River 1W1P Policy Committee No report.

Supervisor Reports and Concerns

Erin Loeffler discussed working with the Area 3 Director about changing and improving Area Meetings.

Stromgren asked about our building. Boheim stated there is nothing new. ISD 709 is having a Public Hearing about the sale on March 2nd. The plan now is for us to vacate the building by September.

Other Business

Science Fair Taylor discussed changing the awards for science fair winners, since planting trees is not an option. Motion by Stromgren, seconded by Moline to approve up to two \$25 awards for students and \$75 to the school.

Affirmative: Moline, Stromgren, Taylor, Tollgaard

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Supervisor Expenses Taylor reminded Supervisors to send in forms.

Adjourn Motion by Moline to adjourn the meeting.

Affirmative: Moline, Stromgren, Taylor, Tollgaard

Opposed: None ***Motion Carried***

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.