

Minutes from the April 21, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

Call to OrderChair Debra Taylor called the meeting to order at 7:03 pmMembers Present:Others Present:Al Moline\*R.C. Boheim, SWCD StaffBrandon SilgjordAllison Praet, NRCS StaffMarcia StromgrenJulie Venhuizen, SWCD StaffDebra Taylor\*Arrived late

AgendaThe Board reviewed the agenda. Motion by Stromgren, seconded by Silgjord to approve the Agenda.Affirmative:Silgjord, Stromgren, TaylorOpposed:NoneMotion Carried

<u>Approval of minutes</u> Minutes from the March meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion by Stromgren seconded by Moline to approve the Minutes.

Affirmative:Moline, Silgjord, Stromgren, TaylorOpposed:NoneMotion Carried

Financial and Administrative Reports

**Financial Reports** The Board reviewed the financial reports. Total fund balance as of March 31, 2021 was \$687,636.32. Motion by Moline, seconded by Stromgren to approve the financial report.

Affirmative: Moline, Silgjord, Stromgren, Taylor Opposed: None *Motion Carried* 

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

Affirmative: Moline, Silgjord, Stromgren, Taylor Opposed: None *Motion Carried* 

**Office relocation** The space at 4215 Enterprise Circle meets all our needs. Hopefully, a lease will be ready for the May meeting.

**COVID-19 response** Boheim reported that there are no updates. Better technology is being pursued to enable Board Meetings with some members meeting in person, and still retain a viable remote participation option.

State Cost-share Program None

Grant Agreements None

District Conservationist's Report Praet reported on EQIP signup and a future Local Workgroup Meeting.

Committee and Board Membership Reports

Area III SWCD Technical Service Area (Nonpoint Engineering Assistance) Taylor reported they are looking into getting a drone to evaluate project sites.

SWCD Forestry Association Moline couldn't attend last meeting, but briefly explained the committee.
Laurentian Resource Conservation & Development Moline discussed a potential carbon credit project.
MASWCD Northeast Area 3 The Board asked about the June resolution Meeting. No information available.
St. Louis River 1W1P Policy Committee Moline reported they met last month and discussed survey results.

Supervisor Reports and Concerns

**Stromgren** asked about the new position. Boheim reported that 37 people applied, and we are still in process. **Stromgren** discussed the potential new office space. It will be more accessible.

Moline discussed vaccines and the ability for us to hold hybrid (in person/video) meeting.

Other Business Silgjord offered to help with the TSA drone project.

Supervisor Expenses Taylor reminded Supervisors to send in expense reports.

Adjourn Motion by Moline to adjourn the meeting.Affirmative:Moline, Silgjord Stromgren, Taylor, TollgaardOpposed:NoneMotion CarriedMeeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.