

Minutes from the January 26, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

Call to Order Gary Rantala called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Members Present:

Joan Farnam, Cook SWCD Bob Fox, Carlton SWCD Beth Hippert, Lake SWCD Bob Hoefert, Mille Lacs SWCD Kim Johnson, Kanabec SWCD Gary Rantala, North St. Louis SWCD Jerry Telker, Pine SWCD

Others Present:

R.C. Boheim, South St. Louis SWCD Matias Valero, TSA Staff Ilena Hansel, Cook SWCD Erin Loeffler, BWSR Mary Krueger, TSA Staff Deanna Pomije, Kanabec SWCD Tara Solem, Lake SWCD Susan Shaw, Mille Lacs SWCD

Members Absent:

Frank Turnock, Aitkin SWCD Debra Taylor, South St. Louis SWCD

Annual Meeting

Elections of officers Motion by Telker, seconded by Fox to elect the same slate of officers as last year (Gary Rantala Chair, Kim Johnson Vice-Chair, Bob Fox Treasurer/Secretary). Affirmative: Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, Telker Opposed: None Motion Carried

Appointment of committee members Personnel is the only standing committee. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Fox that Gary Rantala, Joan Farnum, and Beth Hippert serve on the Personnel Committee.

Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, Telker Affirmative: Opposed: None Motion Carried

Designation of financial institutions: Move from Wells Fargo to NorthShore Bank Motion by Farnam, seconded by Telker to designate Centricity Credit Union and North Shore Bank as TSA #3 financial institutions for 2021, and to authorize Boheim to move funds from Wells Fargo to North Shore Bank and be a designated signer for the new North Shore Accounts.

Affirmative: Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, Telker Opposed: None Motion Carried

Agenda The Board reviewed the agenda. The agenda was approved by consent.

Approval of minutes Minutes from the September Regular Board Meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved by consent

Financial and Administrative Report

Financial Report Boheim reviewed the financial report. Current total assets as of January 20, 2022 were \$524,191.60. Motion by Hoefert, seconded by Fox to accept the financial report.

Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, Telker Affirmative:

Opposed: None Motion Carried **TSA Purchases** Valero discussed some needs for the coming year with the Board. Two computers are needed at a cost of \$5,000 and two new Trimble R12 GPS heads are requested for \$28,000. Motion by Farnam, seconded by Hippert to approve the purchases.

Affirmative:Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, TelkerOpposed:NoneMotion Carried

TSA Staffing Motion by Farnam, seconded by Hippert to approve hiring Caitlan Richard as Conservation Engineer.

Affirmative:Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, TelkerOpposed:NoneMotion Carried

The Engineering Technician position will be posted again in March. Erin Loeffler will set up a Managers meeting that includes all TSA 3 SWCDs, and staffing needs will be discussed.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> Fox reviewed bank statements and vouchers and reported everything looked in order. Motion by Hippert, seconded by Telker to accept the report.

Affirmative:Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, TelkerOpposed:NoneMotion Carried

<u>Project / Technical Assistance Reports</u> Valero discussed the project spreadsheet. Matias will set up a project presentation in the future and share BWSR TSA reporting.

<u>Meeting SWCD Technical Needs</u> Discussion took place about additional communication with SWCD and TSA staff.

Other Business None

Next meeting date March 23, 2022 at 10:00 am.

Adjourn Motion by Telker to adjourn the meeting.

Affirmative:Farnam, Fox, Hippert, Hoefert, Johnson, Rantala, TelkerOpposed:NoneMotion Carried

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.