

Minutes from the September 21, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

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

Members Present: Others Present:

Al Moline Julie Venhuizen, SWCD Staff

Brandon Silgjord

Marcia Stromgren Members Absent:
Debra Taylor John Tollgaard

Agenda The Board reviewed the agenda. Motion by Stromgren, seconded by Silgjord to approve the agenda.

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

Approval of minutes

Minutes from the August meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion by Moline, seconded by Stromgren to approve the Minutes.

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

Financial and Administrative Reports

Financial Reports The Board reviewed the financial reports. Total fund balance as of August 30, 2022 was \$464,448.72. Motion by Silgjord, seconded by Stromgren to approve the financial report.

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

Treasurer's Report Moline reported that everything checked out fine. Motion by Silgjord, seconded by Stromgren to approve the report.

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

Fall Open House, Board Meeting Invitation list and process was discussed as well as following up with them pre-meeting.

State Cost-share Program None

Grant Agreements

Extension BWSR St. Louis River One Watershed, One Plan An extension was requested from BWSR moving the end date to April 20, 2023 from December 31, 2021 Motion by Moline, seconded by Silgjord to approve the extension.

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

Adopt St. Louis River One Watershed, One Plan Discussion on the plan being in the 60 day review process.

<u>District Conservationist's Report</u> Praet provided a written report with copies available at the meeting.

Committee and Board Membership Reports

Area III SWCD Technical Service Area (Nonpoint Engineering Assistance) Meets in September. **SWCD Forestry Association** The last meeting was September 15, 2022 in Two Harbors. Moline reported attendees toured areas of birch die off and discussed efforts to reforest using trees indigenous to the North Shore area for reforestation.

Laurentian Resource Conservation & Development Moline attended. The main topic was carbon credits.

MASWCD Northeast Area 3 Excellent fall meeting in Aitkin. Resolutions regarding protection of rough fish and SWCD exemption of state nursery stock licensure were passed. Discussion on new process for minutes disbursement.

Supervisor Reports and Concerns

Stromgren discussed Envirothon and outreach to local schools for better participation in our area. **Silgjord** discussed attending local township meetings.

Other Business

Silgjord inquired about October's open house timeline as he may be asked to deploy to Puerto Rico for the days leading up to the event.

<u>Supervisor Expenses</u> Taylor reviewed expense reports with the Board. Motion by Moline, seconded by SIlgjord to approve the reports.

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

Adjourn Motion by Moline to adjourn the meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.