



Minutes from the April 26, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

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

Members Present:

Bob Fox, Carlton SWCD
Beth Hippert, Lake SWCD
Andre LaSalle, Mille Lacs SWCD
Kim Johnson, Kanabec SWCD
Gary Rantala, North St. Louis SWCD
John Tollgaard, South St. Louis SWCD
Gregg Westigard, Cook SWCD

Others Present:

Matias Valero, TSA Staff
R.C. Boheim, South St. Louis SWCD
Alyssa Alness, Carlton SWCD
Ilena Hansel, Cook SWCD
Erin Loeffler, BWSR
Susan Shaw, Mille Lacs SWCD
Janet Smude, Aitkin SWCD
Phil Norvitch, North St. Louis SWCD
Deanna Pomije, Kanabec SWCD

Agenda The Board reviewed the agenda. Motion by Johnson, seconded by Fox to approve the agenda as presented.

Affirmative: Fox, Hippert, LaSalle, Johnson, Rantala, Tollgaard, Westigard
Opposed: None **Motion Carried**

Approval of minutes Minutes from the February Board Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Fox, seconded by Tollgaard to approve the minutes as presented.

Affirmative: Fox, Hippert, LaSalle, Johnson, Rantala, Tollgaard, Westigard
Opposed: None **Motion Carried**

Financial and Administrative Report

Financial Report Boheim reviewed the financial report. Current total assets as of April 12, 2023 were \$665,443.88. Motion by Tollgaard, seconded by Fox to accept the financial report.

Affirmative: Fox, Hippert, LaSalle, Johnson, Rantala, Tollgaard, Westigard
Opposed: None **Motion Carried**

Additional signer North Shore Bank Checking Motion by Johnson, seconded by Hippert to designate the TSA Treasurer as a check signer.

Affirmative: Fox, Hippert, LaSalle, Johnson, Rantala, Tollgaard, Westigard
Opposed: None **Motion Carried**

Engineering Technician Position Bree Schabert was hired and has started working.

TSA Purchases None

Treasurer's Report Fox reviewed bank statements and vouchers yesterday and before the meeting, and reported everything looked good. Motion by Hippert, seconded by Johnson to accept the report.

Affirmative: Fox, Hippert, LaSalle, Johnson, Rantala, Tollgaard, Westigard
Opposed: None **Motion Carried**

Project / Technical Assistance Reports Valero discussed the project spreadsheet with the Board.

Meeting SWCD Technical Needs

Johnson started a discussion regarding future workload for the Snake and Rum River Watershed, and passed out some questions to consider about technical services. Valero has meetings planned with SWCD staff and will discuss expectations for the coming year with them. Erin Loeffler discussed potential BWSR Performance Review and Assistance Program grants that could be used to evaluate workload.

Other Business None

Next meeting date June 28, 2023 at 10:00 am.

Adjourn Motion by Fox to adjourn the meeting.

Affirmative: Fox, Hippert, LaSalle, Johnson, Rantala, Tollgaard, Westigard

Opposed: None *Motion Carried*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.