

MINUTES
Board of Supervisors Meeting
October 26th, 2017
Grant Soil & Water Conservation District
712 Industrial Park Blvd, Elbow Lake, MN 56531

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m.

Members Present: Randy Larson, Chairman
Paul Groneberg, Vice-Chairman
Don Dally, Personnel Director
Larry Stephens, Member

Others Present: Joe Montonye, Brent Gulbrandson, Jared House & Mary Jo Knutson, Grant SWCD

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Stephens to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of the September 28th, 2017 meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Dally and Stephens. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Dally to approve the Treasurer's Report as read. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Old Business:

1. **2017 Resolutions**— The board discussed the 20 resolutions and voted on them. Knutson will get them sent in to MASWCD today.
2. **Conservation Tillage Conference – December 5th – 6th in Willmar, MN**—Consensus was to wait to decide on attending until an agenda comes out.

Correspondence:

1. **Area I Meeting – Tuesday, November 21st at MN State in Detroit Lakes**—At this time Larson, Gulbrandson and Knutson plan on attending.
2. **TSA Meeting in Mahnomen – Wednesday, November 8th**—At this time Christenson and House plan on attending.

New Business:

- 1. Pomme de Terre Report**—There was no quorum so no official business could be conducted.
- 2. State Cost-Share Amendment – John Kapphahn**—Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Stephens to approve the Pomme de Terre Amendment to Conservation Practice Assistance Contract for contract #26-07-14-CWF which contains the statement “This amendment applies to the State Cost-Share portion of this contract as well”. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 3. Approve 2018 & 2019 BWSR Grant Agreement – SWCD Programs & Operations**—Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Dally to approve the 2018 & 2019 SWCD Programs & Operations Grant Agreement in the amount of \$185,716.00. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 4. Approval of 2018 Budget**—Board discussed. Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Groneberg to approve the 2018 Grant SWCD budget as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 5. House – 1 Year Probation Period Completed**—Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Dally to approve a 2.5% pay increase for House. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
- 6. 2017 MASWCD Annual Convention**—At this time Stephens and Knutson plan on attending.

Additional Items:

- 1. CRP Update—Gulbrandson gave an update on CRP** – FSA is in the process of approving contracts. We have 45-47 that have signed up since May 1st. CRP payment rates are in the process of being modified
- 2. Board Meeting Dates & NRCS Update**—November meeting will be held November 30th, December Board meeting December 28th and January Board meeting January 31st. Mark Dybdal (Acting DC) will be here Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Dally left the meeting @ 10:30.

Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Stephens to pay the October 2017 bills # 12951 - #12973 and all debit card withdrawals as presented. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Groneberg to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

October minutes were approved at the November 30th, 2017 Board Meeting.