

MINUTES
Board of Supervisors Meeting
April 23rd, 2020
Grant Soil & Water Conservation District
712 Industrial Park Blvd, Elbow Lake, MN 56531

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. Via tele-conference

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

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

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by Groneberg, seconded by Stephens to approve the minutes from the special meeting held by the Board on March 10th, 2020 to discuss assignment of manager duties Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried

Motion was made by Christenson, seconded by Stephens to approve the regular Board meeting minutes of the March 26th, 2020 meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

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

New Business:

1. **Pomme de Terre Report – Groneberg and House**—Groneberg reported that there was not an April JPB meeting.
2. **Bois de Sioux/Mustinka Report – Larson & House**—Larson reported that he had a tele-conference meeting for the Bois de Sioux on April 9th, 2020. The policy committee is close to having a draft plan. The Bois de Sioux Watershed District is not in favor of forming a Joint Powers Board.

New Business: (continued)

3. **Chippewa River Report – Dally & House**—Dally reported that he had a tele-conference meeting for the Chippewa on April 17th. There was a verbiage change to the Joint Powers Agreement that needs to be changed before it can be approved.
4. **Office Update – COVID19 – House**—Staff has not had to use admin leave as they are getting their hours in between working at home and in the office.
5. **Buffer Update - House**—House gave an update of the March meeting that he attended.
6. **County Funding Update- Knutson & House**—A handout was shown what the County pays the District for its monthly apportionment.
7. **Approve CREP Amendment – House**—Motion was made by Dally, seconded by Stephens to approve the amended amount of the 2018 CREP Agreement from \$75,079.00 to \$89,155.00. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.
8. **CRP Update – Gulbrandson**—Gulbrandson gave an update on the CRP re-enrollment and potential new contracts that he has been working on.
9. **Approval of 2016 Federal 319 Grant Contract – Paul Groneberg**—Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Dally to approve the Federal 319 Grant Contract for Paul Groneberg in the amount of \$4,527.50 for cover crops for years 2020, 2021 and 2022. Affirmative: Larson, Christenson, Dally and Stephens. Opposed: None. Motion Carried. Groneberg abstained from voting.
10. **2020 Upcoming Supervisor Election – Filing – Period May 19th – June 2nd**—Christenson and Dally (Districts IV and II) will not be running for re-election and Stephens will be filing for his position in District I.
11. **Call For Resolutions – Knutson & House**—Board will put together a resolution to present at the next meeting to keep NRCS and SWCD co-mingled.
12. **Rain Barrell Update – House & Knutson**—Rain Barrels will be ordered next Spring because of the COVID19 caused a delay in shipping out of Canada. Approximately 100 have been pre-ordered so far this spring.

Meeting will be Thursday, May 28th, at 8:00 a.m.