

MINUTES

Board of Supervisors Meeting

April 22, 2021

Grant Soil & Water Conservation District

712 Industrial Park Blvd., Elbow Lake, MN 56531

Chairman Larson called the meeting to order at 8:07 a.m.

Members present:

Randy Larson, Chairman

Paul Groneberg, Vice-Chairman

Larry Stephens, Member

Jon Nelson, Personnel

Others present: Brent Gulbrandson, Jared House, and Nicole Sumstad (Grant SWCD).

Secretary Report: Motion was made by Stephens, seconded by Nelson to approve the regular board meeting minutes of the March 25th, 2021 meeting. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Treasures Report: Stephens made a motion to approve the treasures report with Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Chippewa River Project: Nelson discussed the status on the Resolution to Support agreement. Nelson made the motion to approve the Resolution to Support a Chippewa River Watershed One Watershed, One Plan project. Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Pomme de Terre River Association: House updated the status with the contract for services agreement. Groneberg made a motion to approve the Contract for Services for FY21 WBIF Grant with the PDTRA with Stephens seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Bois de Sioux Watershed Project: House updated on the agreement for fiscal host. Groneberg made a motion to approve the Fiscal Agent Agreement with the Bois de Sioux Watershed District. Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Hiring update: Gulbrandson updated the status of the new hire. Announcements are out.

Arsenic water testing: House updated that the test kits are now available.

Old ATV sale: Gulbrandson gave the status of the old ATV that the district no longer uses. Groneberg made a motion to sell the 2001 Polaris Magnum 325 ATV for \$1,000.00. Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Buffer Letter update: House updated the status and asked for approval to send out potential non-compliance letters when working on Bois de Sioux ditches, contingent on attorney approval. Nelson made the motion to approve sending out noncompliance letters when working with the Bois de Sioux ditches, contingent on attorney approval. Groneberg seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

CRP/CCRP update: Gulbrandson updated that there is still no set deadline for CRP/CCRP.

NRCS update: Gulbrandson reported that EQIP has 1 approval and CSP is at 2 approvals with the deadline at the end of April.

Clothing allowance: House updated that per the clothing allowance we will be sending in clothing to get logo put on. Turn in clothing articles and receipts.

Rain Barrel update: Sumstad updated that barrels are set to arrive on the 29th with pickup days scheduled. We will have extras. Looking at different storage ideas for the barrels that will be left.

TAA rain Garden approval for Brent Gulbrandson: Technical Approval Authority. Groneberg made the motion to approve Gulbrandson for TAA Rain Garden Approval. Stephens seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Contracts to review/approval:

Marie Hoffman Rain Garden: Stephens made the motion to approve contract #26-02-19-CWF. Total project \$1,300.00. Cost share \$975.00 (PdT 2019 CWF). Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Darren Godden: Gulbrandson updated us that this is on hold due to discrepancies on bids.

Jan Vipond Rain Garden: Groneberg made the motion to approve contract #26-01-19-CWF. Total project \$7,010.40. Cost share \$5,257.50 (PdT 2019 CWF). Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Chad Smith Well Decommission: Groneberg made the motion to approve contract #2019-01. Total project \$1,000.00. Cost share \$400.00 (2019 State Cost Share). Stephens seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Lee Ackerson Wetland Restoration/CRP/Critical Area Planting: Nelson made the motion to approve contract # 2019-02. Total project \$13,350.00. Cost share \$4721.00 (2019 Cost share \$2,368.41 and 2020 Cost share \$2,352.59). Stephen seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Next board meeting will be held on May 27th, 2021, at 8:00 a.m.

Stephens made the motion to adjourn. Nelson seconded. Affirmative: Larson, Groneberg, Stephens, and Nelson. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

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