



BLUE EARTH SOIL & WATER

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Approved Minutes of November 10, 2022

Supervisors Present: Vice Chairman: John Rollings, Treasurer: John Shanahan Secretary: Chris Hughes, PR&I: William Gardner

Supervisors Absent: Chairman: Carol Krosch

Staff Present: District Manager: Jerad Bach, Administrative Specialist: Jillian Kuduk, Conservationist Specialist: Jake Fritz

Guests: Blue Earth County Commissioner: Kevin Paap

Proceedings: The meeting was called to order by Vice - Chairman Rollings at 4:00 p.m.

Pledge: All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

HOUSEKEEPING

Agenda: Agenda was reviewed, Shanahan moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Gardner.

Motion adopted.

Minutes: Minutes were reviewed, Gardner moved to approve the October 6, 2022, minutes, seconded by Shanahan. **Motion adopted.**

Treasurer's Report: (see attached)

Balance on hand	\$ 836,413.04
Receipts	\$ 8,930.72
Disbursements	<u>\$ 39,319.86</u>
Total	\$ 806,023.90

Kuduk presented the Treasurer's Report for October and requested to pay the Supervisor per diems, which were read by each Supervisor. Shanahan moved to file the October Treasurer's Report subject to audit and pay Supervisor per diems as read, seconded by Gardner. **Motion adopted.**

OPEN COMMUNICATIONS

County Commissioner: Paap presented the County Commissioner report. County Rd 1 will be open as of Friday. Work continues on finding a location for the new Public Works building. Elections took place earlier this week and things went very well. Paap added that the CD 56 pre-construction meeting that took place last week and where the funding will be coming from for this project.

District Manager: Bach presented the District Manager report (see attached).

COST SHARE

WBIF-WW-21-07-05 (Cover Crops)

Fritz requested to approve payment in the amount of \$5,670.00 for the installation of 45 acres of cover crops. This is a 3-year contract which will be paid in full. **Gardner** moved to approve payment in the amount of \$5,670.00 for the WBIF-WW-21-07-05 contract, seconded by **Shanahan**. **Motion adopted.**

CWF-WWDW-21-07-01 (Cover Crops)

Fritz requested to approve payment in the amount of \$3,948.75 for the installation of 150 acres of cover crops. This is the 2nd payment of the 3-year contract. **Shanahan** moved to approve payment in the amount of \$585.00 for the CWF-WWDW-21-07-01 contract, seconded by **Gardner**. **Motion adopted.**

NEW BUSINESS:

FY20 State Cost Share Grant Closeout:

Bach presented the financial report for the closeout of the FY20 State Cost Share grant which includes the expenses. **Gardner** moved to approve the grant closeout of the FY20 State Cost Share Grant and sign the financial report, seconded by **Hughes**. **Motion adopted.**

FY20 Buffer Law Grant Closeout:

Bach presented the financial report for the closeout of the FY20 Buffer Law grant which includes the expenses. **Shanahan** moved to approve the grant closeout of the FY20 Buffer Law grant and sign the financial report, seconded by **Gardner**. **Motion adopted.**

2023 NACD Dues:

Kuduk presented the NACD dues request and gave prior year payment figures. After some discussion, **Gardner** moved to contribute \$1,000 for the 2023 NACD dues, seconded by **Shanahan**. **Motion adopted.**

MASWCD Convention Registration:

Kuduk gave a brief overview of the upcoming MASWCD Annual Convention that will take place next month and took convention registrations and hotel accommodation request from the Supervisors who were present.

SUPERVISOR REPORTS

Hughes: The next Le Sueur 1W1P meeting will be coming up at the end of the month. The group will be deciding who will take on the fiscal agent and watershed coordinator duties for the Le Sueur Watershed grant. The Prairie Enthusiast group was able to get a few prescribed burns completed but had to hold off due to lack of rain.

Shanahan: GBERBA will be holding their first in-person meeting at the Armory next Friday.

Rollings: No update.

Gardner: Gave an update from the last MPI meeting.

Adjourn: There being no further business Rollings adjourned the meeting.

- * Meeting adjourned 5:18 p.m.
- * Next regular meeting will be held December 8, 2022
- * Minutes submitted by Jillian Kuduk, Administrative Specialist

Signature: _____ Approved Date: _____

Printed Name: _____ Title: _____

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