

AITKIN COUNTY SWCD
130 SOUTHGATE DRIVE
AITKIN, MN 56431

Minutes of the Aitkin County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors meeting held on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at the Ag Service Center. Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Those present were:

Those absent were:

Tom Fasteland, Chair
Frank Turnock, Vice Chair
Bob Roseberg, Treasurer
Roger Vogt, Reporter
Bob Janzen, Secretary
Steve Hughes, District Manager
Lori Nelson, District Secretary
Chris Pence, MN BWSR Board Conservationist

Addition to the agenda:

-City of McGregor, Cost-Share Payment

A motion was made by Bob Janzen and seconded by Bob Roseberg to approve an addition to the agenda. Approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve the October 16, 2018 minutes. Approved unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Discussion. A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Bob Janzen to accept the October financial statement. Approved unanimously.

CHECKS WRITTEN

A motion was made by Bob Roseberg and seconded by Frank Turnock to approve checks written. Approved unanimously.

AIS UPDATE

The year is wrapped up except for \$ spent by lake associations. The 2018 Wrap-Up Report to be completed by the end of the year. A Zebra Mussel update was given on Big Pine Lake.

WRAPS UPDATE/GRAND RAPIDS & BRAINERD

A couple of public meetings will be coming up in December.

MASWCD ANNUAL CONVENTION

The MASWCD Annual Convention will be held December 9-11, 2018 in St. Paul. Steve Hughes, Mitch Lundeen, and Tom Fasteland will attend.

2017 ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT

Copies of the 2017 Annual Audit Report were handed out to the Supervisors. A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Bob Janzen to accept the 2017 Audit as presented. Approved unanimously.

AITKIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE/\$11,248.42

A motion was made by Bob Roseberg and seconded by Frank Turnock to approve payment of \$11,248.42 to the Aitkin County Sheriff's Office. Approved unanimously.

RESPEC/\$13,538.09

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Bob Janzen to approve payment of \$13,538.09 to RESPEC. Approved unanimously.

CHRIS MOSER/COST-SHARE ASSISTANCE CONTRACT

A cost-share project for Chris Moser was discussed with the SWCD Board. Steve will contact Chris and set up a time to discuss cost-share project with him.

BOB FREEMORE/LONG LAKE, CISCO TULLIBEE LAKES GRANT/\$1687.50

A motion was made by Bob Janzen and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve payment of \$1687.50 to Bob Freemore. Approved unanimously.

WALTER JORGENSEN/DISTRICT CAPACITY 17/COST-SHARE PYMT.

A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Bob Roseberg to approve payment of \$750 to Walter Jorgensen. Approved unanimously.

CITY OF MCGREGOR/COST-SHARE PAYMENT

They are at the end of their \$15,000 for a Storm Water Management Study. A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Roger Vogt to approve payment of \$941.68. Approved unanimously.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN'S REPORT (see attached report)

2019 WAGES AND BENEFITS

Discussion. A motion was made by Frank Turnock and seconded by Bob Roseberg to approve the 2019 Wages and Benefits effective January 1, 2019. Approved unanimously.

SNAKE RIVER REPORT (Bob Roseberg)

Bob did not attend the last meeting.

American Peat held a meeting in McGrath re: expansion in McGrath. It was a good turnout with support from the McGrath area.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

There will be an upcoming meeting at the City Hall with MNDOT re: living snowfence.

DISTRICT FORESTER'S REPORT (see attached report)

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST'S REPORT (see attached report)

FARM BILL BIOLOGIST REPORT (see attached report)

NORTH REGION FORESTER REPORT (see attached report)

MN BWSR BOARD CONSERVATIONIST REPORT

-E-Link Reporting

-Local Capacity Plans need to be put in E-Link

-Letter needed from County Administrator

- If District Capacity is used for cost-share it is subject to State Cost-Share rules
- Pine River Watershed packet was handed out.

The next SWCD Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Ag Service Center.

A motion was made by Bob Janzen and seconded by Bob Roseberg to adjourn at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Janzen
Secretary