



Minutes of the May 17, 2018 Regular Board Meeting

Minutes of the May 17, 2018 Dodge Soil and Water Conservation District's Regular Board of Supervisor's meeting, conference room, USDA Service Center, Dodge Center, Minnesota.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Larry Scherger at 7:26 PM.

Members Present: Larry Scherger, Chair
Bill Thompson, Vice-Chair
David Livingston, Secretary
Glenn Hahn, Treasurer (7:45)

Members Absent: Bruce Freerksen, PR&I

Others Present: Tom Johnston, SWCD Technician
Blaine Delzer, SWCD Technician

Approval of Meeting Agenda – There was one item added to the agenda; Promotion of SWCD Leadership for Multi-purpose Drainage Management resolution. A motion was made to approve the May 17, 2018 meeting agenda as amended.

Motion: David Livingston

Seconded: Bill Thompson

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the April 19, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes – The board discussed revisions to the April 21, 2016 meeting minutes, which included: changing Cedar to Root in the One Watershed One Plan report on page 5; changing the misspelled word “though” to “through” in the Grants Report on page 5. The errors were corrected. A motion was made to approve the April 19, 2018 Dodge Soil and Water Conservation District's regular Board of Supervisors meeting minutes as revised.

Motion: Bill Thompson

Seconded: David Livingston

The motion carried unanimously.

Partner Agency Reports – No Reports

Unfinished Business

RCPP Cost-Share Contract 2017-01 (Currier Bros.)

The Currier Bros. are requesting payment on RCPP Cost-Share Contract RCPP2017-01 for the preparation of a CAP-104 Nutrient Management Plan. A motion was made to approve the requested payment of \$3,178.48.

Motion: Dave Livingston

Seconded: Bill Thompson

The motion carried unanimously.

One Watershed One Plan – Zumbro River Watershed MOA

After review and discussion, a motion was made to approve the MOA as presented, and to appoint Larry Scherger as the SWCD's representative on the One Watershed One Plan policy committee with Thompson and Freerkson as co-alternates.

Motion: Bill Thompson

Seconded: Dave Livingston

The motion carried unanimously and was signed by the Chair

Approval of the Treasurer's Financial Statements and Payment of New Bills – Glenn Hahn, Treasurer, reviewed the April 2018 Treasurer's Financial Report with the Board. A motion was made to approve the April 2018 Treasurer's Report, and to pay the bills on the aging summary for a payables total of \$8,641.30.

Motion: Dave Livingston

Seconded: Bill Thompson

The motion carried unanimously.

MN Buffer Law Enforcement – The Board reviewed and discussed a draft of a potential MOA between the Dodge SWCD and either Dodge County or the BWSR for tasks the SWCD is responsible for in the implementation of the Buffer Law, and what either Dodge County or BWSR must do for the enforcement of the Buffer Law. Dodge County staff is recommending to the County Commissioners to take on the enforcement responsibilities of the MN Buffer Law. A final decision by the County Commissioners will be made May 22nd.

New Business

Training Request

Adam King, District Manager, is requesting to attend the MN District Manager's meeting July 24, 2018 at the Warner Lake Park in Clearwater, MN the cost for registration is \$25 and the cost for a one-night stay at the Holiday Inn in St. Cloud is \$93. A motion was made to authorize Adam to attend the manager's meeting and to pay for the registration and one night stay at the Holiday Inn.

Motion: Dave Livingston

Seconded: Bill Thompson

The motion carried unanimously.

2018 Dodge County Appropriation Request

A motion was made to request the 2018 Dodge County appropriation from Dodge County to the Dodge SWCD.

Motion: David Livingston

Seconded: Glenn Hahn

The motion carried unanimously and a request letter was signed by the Chair.

District Cost-Share Contract 2018-05 (Hahn) Encumbrance

A motion was made to approve the encumbrance of \$6,319.76 of District cost-share funds for c-s contract 2018-05 (Eric Hahn) for the establishment of a Grass Waterway.

Motion: Bill Thompson

Seconded: Dave Livingston

Abstained: Glenn Hahn

The motion carried.

District Cost-Share Contract 2018-06 (Kvasnicka) Encumbrance

A motion was made to approve the encumbrance of \$687.50 of District cost-share funds for c-s contract 2018-06 (Jim Kvasnicka) for a well sealing.

Motion: Glenn Hahn

Seconded: Bill Thompson

The motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Truck Overload Kit

A motion was made to purchase a Timbren overload block set from Trucking America, at a cost of \$230, for the District's pick-up truck to add height and stability to the truck when towing the new no-till drill.

Motion: Dave Livingston

Seconded: Glenn Hahn

The motion carried unanimously.

Soil Health Discussion

Blaine Delzer and the Board discussed the successes as well as some improvements which could be made promoting in promoting soil health activities.

Other New Business

After review and discussion of a resolution prepared by Bill Thompson entitled Promotion of SWCD Leadership for Multi-purpose Drainage Management, a motion was made to forward the resolution on to the area resolution committee for approval.

Motion: Dave Livingston

Seconded: Glenn Hahn

The motion carried unanimously.

Correspondences & Staff Reports

- The Board was reminded that filing for elections starts May 22nd. Supervisor positions for Districts II, III & IV are up for re-election this year.
- Bill Thompson reported that the agenda for the Area 7 meeting will be sent in the very near future.

Supervisor Meeting Reports

Cedar River Watershed District (CRWD)

- David Livingston, District 4 Supervisor, reported attending the CRWD meeting on May 16, 2018. The main topic of discussion was a letter from the Shell Rock Watershed requesting not to be a part of the One Watershed One Plan for the CRWD.
- Also reported on promotional activities in the watershed.

Zumbro Watershed Partnership (ZWP) – No Report

Feedlot Committee

- Glenn Hahn, District 5 Supervisor, reported attending a County Feedlot Committee mtg. at which the committee discussed whether some type of odor control mitigation will be needed for a new animal waste pit project in Mantorville Twp.
- Updated the Board on One Watershed One Plan activity in the Root River watershed.
- Reported on a cover crop tour he attended.

WIP - Root River →

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Larry Scherger, Chair, called for a motion for adjournment at 10:59 P.M.

Motion: Dave Livingston

Seconded: Glenn Hahn

The motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Dodge Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors will be Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. in the conference room of the USDA Service Center building, 916 2nd St. SE, Dodge Center, Minnesota.

Approved: _____

Larry Scherger

Date: *Jun 21 2018*

Recorder: Tom Johnston