

District Regular Board Meeting

Monday – October 26, 2020

7:30 PM

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room

104 East 3rd Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

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Minutes

I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chair Jeff Beckman. It was noted that due to 'MN Department of Administration Open Meeting Requirements during a State of Emergency', meeting held utilizing telephone conferencing require all votes be taken by roll call, which will be used at this meeting.

Supervisors Present (In Person): Jeff Beckman (Chair), Mark Comstock (Vice Chair), John Jaeger (Reporter), Don Schliep (Secretary)

Supervisors Present (Conference Call): Ed McNamara (Treasurer)

Staff (In Person): Glen Roberson, Beau Kennedy, Delane Krier

Other (In Person): Jeff Matzke (NRCS)

Other (Conference Call): Brian DeVetter (NRCS)

II. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Comstock to approve the Agenda. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

III. Consent Agenda

1. Approve 319 SE Feedlot VII Quarter 3 Payment – Invoice to Houston County \$407.86
2. Approve 319 SE Feedlot VII Quarter 3 Payment – Invoice to Wabasha County SWCD \$565.47
3. Approve 319 SE Feedlot VII Quarter 3 Payment – Invoice to Winona County SWCD \$375.84
4. Approve 319 SE Feedlot VII Quarter 2 & 3 Payment – Invoice to Mower County SWCD \$3905.26
5. Approve Zumbro 1W1P Payment - Invoices to Barr Engineering - Invoice #23551058-15 for \$4,274.00, Invoice #23551058-16 for \$3,926.50. Zumbro 1W1P Policy Committee approved @ October 8th 2020 meeting.
6. Approve Payment Voucher to Richard Nielson for \$39,383.63, Cost Share Contract #2018-07, Water & Sediment Control Basins.

Moved by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the Consent Agenda. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

IV. Secretary's Report

1. Approve September 28, 2020 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Schliep to approve the Secretary's Report. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

VI. Action Items

1. Closed Board Session – Discussion of Personnel Reviews (20 Minutes)

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Comstock to close the meeting at 7:45 pm. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Comstock to open the meeting at 8:15 pm. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

2. Action to Cancel Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #LCF219-10; Dennis Remme, \$1500, 2019 Local Capacity. Owner's Request.

Moved by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve to cancel Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #LCF219-10; Dennis Remme, \$1500, 2019 Local Capacity. Owner's Request. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

3. Action on Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LCF2020-05; Dennis Remme, Cover Crops \$3,000.00, 2020 Local Capacity. (Signed as previously authorized by Policy, Manager Glen Roberson)

Moved by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract LCF2020-05; Dennis Remme, Cover Crops \$3,000.00, 2020 Local Capacity. (Signed as previously authorized by Policy, Manager Glen Roberson). Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

4. Action on 90% Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #2016CWF-06; Gerard Goering, Grade Stabilization Structure \$13901.40, MRLP 319.

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Schliep to approve 90% Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #2016CWF-06; Gerard Goering, Grade Stabilization Structure \$13901.40, MRLP 319. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

5. Action on 90% Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #2016CWF-07; Fall Ridge Properties III LLC, Grade Stabilization Structure \$13314.60, MRLP 319. (Upon signature of Land Occupier/Land Owner)

Moved by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve 90% Based Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #2016CWF-07; Fall Ridge Properties III LLC, Grade Stabilization Structure \$13314.60, MRLP 319, contingent upon signature of Land Occupier/Land Owner. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

6. Action on PEIP Health Insurance for 2020.

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Comstock to approve PEIP Health Insurance for 2021 as follows:

HSA Plan – Single 100% Employer Paid / Family 80% Employer Paid – 20% Employee Paid / Employer Pays \$1000.00 towards Employees HSA account.

Value Plan – Single 80% Employer Paid – 20% Employee Paid / Family 70% Employer Paid – 30% Employee Paid

Advantage Plan - Single 70% Employer Paid – 30% Employee Paid / Family 60% Employer Paid – 40% Employee Paid

Opt Out Plan - \$525.00 per month Employer Paid to Employee

Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

7. Authorize Supervisors to Attend (in person or virtual) the Area 7 MASWCD Supervisors Meeting, November 9 2020; 10 AM to 2:30 PM Rochester Community & Technical College.

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Schliep to approve Supervisor attend (in person or virtual) the Area 7 MASWCD Supervisors Meeting, November 9 2020; 10 AM to 2:30 PM Rochester Community & Technical College. Registration and Mileage will be paid to attendees. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

8. Action on Draft Audit for FY2019.

Moved by Schliep, seconded by Comstock to table action on Draft Audit for FY2019 to next board meeting on November 23, 2020. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

VII. Reports

1. NRCS Report

Presented by Jeff Matzke (see attached)

2. District Manager's Report

Updated on Aflac /JPB Budget / Pay Equity / Tree Orders / Zumbro Watershed

3. Discussion on 2021 Local Capacity Funds

Moved by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the 2021 Local Capacity Funds Plan as presented. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

4. Supervisor's Activity Report

Comstock – Zumbro 1W1P

Beckman – Cannon 1W1P

5. Other

B. Kennedy – GIS of Projects / Cost Share Funds

VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables

1. Approve the September 2020 Financial Report

Moved by Jaeger, seconded by Comstock to approve the September 2020 Financial Report. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

2. Approve October 2020 Accounts Payable

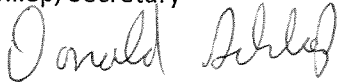
Moved by Schliep, seconded by Comstock to approve the October 2020 Accounts Payable. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

IX. Adjournment

Moved by Comstock, seconded by Jaeger to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Jaeger, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Don Schliep, Secretary



Upcoming Events

MASWCD Area 7 Meeting	November 9, 2020
Election Day	November 3, 2020
Veteran's Day Holiday	November 11, 2020
November Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting	November 23, 2020
Thanksgiving Holiday	November 26, 2020

NRCS Program Updates: October 26th, 2020

Contract / Application Status

- 44 active CSP contracts
- 12 active EQIP contracts
- 3 active RCPP-EQIP contracts
- 31 CSP Classic 2020-1 applications (0 high priority)
- 14 CSP 2021-1-Renewals
- 47 EQIP 2020 applications

CRP

355 CRP fields are expiring on September 30th, 2022 and will need to have a status review completed in the final two years of the contract.

Upcoming Program Deadlines

EQIP

While the prioritization criteria for EQIP have not been released yet, the intention of the State Conservationist is to deal with our backlog of applications.

EQIP 2021-1

- Batching Date – November 20th, 2020
- Workload Prioritization – December 11th, 2020
- Assessment/Ranking – March 5th, 2021
- Approval – April 9th, 2021
- Obligation – July 2nd, 2021

EQIP 2021-2

- Batching Date – March 5th, 2021

CSP

FY21 CSP Renewal (extended 2015-1 and 2016) – 14 applications (2 High Priority)

- Screening/ Prioritization – Oct 16th, 2020
- Ranking – December 4th, 2020
- Contract modifications – December 18th, 2020
- Contract Obligation – February 26, 2020

2020 Annual Payments

- Payments requested in 2020 deadline – November 5th, 2020
- Number of payments requested in 2020 - 32
- Number of payments completed so far - 20
- Number of payments requested in 2021 - 12