

MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 23, 2021
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Minutes of the Marshall County Soil and Water Conservation District, P.O. Box 74, Warren, Minnesota, February 23, 2021.

Green called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

Oath of Office – Carl Green signed the oath of office form.

Members Present: Chairman, Carl Green
Vice-Chairman, Brent Miller
Secretary, Duane Potucek
Treasurer, Brad Berg

Members Absent: Public Relations, Wallace Bengtson

Others Present: Programs Manager, Darren Carlson
Administrative Assistant, Janelle Kollin
Technician, Michael Carlson

Minutes - Motion by Berg, seconded by Miller to accept the minutes as mailed from the January 14, 2021 board meeting.

Affirmative: Miller, Potucek and Berg

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Motion by Potucek, seconded by Miller to accept and approve the Treasurer's Report.

Affirmative: Miller, Potucek and Berg

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Pheasant's Forever – see attached

NRCS Report – not available

Tree Program – Darren informed the SWCD has two plantings so far.

Newsletter – The newsletter is up at the Sheaf and will be going out soon.

Facebook – The SWCD is on Facebook and will update the page with highlights and progress of the SWCD.

Elink Reporting – All Reporting is due February 1st. Darren passed out the binder with reports on projects and money spent.

Darren passed out project maps of SWCD completed projects and proposed 2021 projects.

Duane Steinbrink – Duane has done some surveys on seven sites for 20 side water inlets. He has five more sites to completed.

AgBMP – The approved loan amount is \$200,000. There is still a waiting list.

Capacity Cost Share to Buffer Cost Share Funds – Motion by Miller, seconded by Potucek to transfer cost share funds from the 2018 Capacity to Buffer Cost Share for Richard Olson, ENG 18-10 will now be MCBCS-12. The transfer amount is \$140.00.

Affirmative: Miller, Potucek and Berg

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Roseau 1W1P – Darren informed they are in the beginning process. There is only 1% land in Marshall County. Darren stated we would help out when asked but not attend meetings. This was the same thing we did with the Two Rivers Watershed. Motion by Berg, seconded by Potucek to go the same route with the Roseau 1W1P.

Affirmative: Miller, Potucek and Berg

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Middle/Snake/Tamarac 1W1P – Darren informed the process has been started. Steering committee has met every other week in January and February. Kick off policy committee was 1/28. The Marshall SWCD is the fiscal agent and will be responsible for payments made. Motion by Miller, seconded by Berg to approve the contract for services with Houston Engineering for the Middle-Snake-Tamarac Rivers 1W1P Project contingent on BWSR grant agreement approval and authorize the District Manager to sign the contract with Houston Engineering after BWSR grant agreement approval.

Affirmative: Miller, Potucek and Berg

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Thief River 1W1P will have a policy committee meeting some time in March.

BWSR does audits on grants received. They will be doing an audit on the 2018 and 2019 capacity some time this summer.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 16, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at the SWCD office.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Secretary