

**Minutes of the meeting of the
Rock County Soil and Water Conservation District
Monday, December 21, 2020**

A meeting of the Rock County Soil and Water District Board was held via teleconference Monday, November 16, 2020 at 8:00 AM at the Prairie Service Center with the following members present: Roger Hoff, Dave Esselink, Gene Cragoe, Jim Veldkamp, Josh Ossefoort, LMO Director Eric Hartman, LMO Assistant Director Doug Bos, Office Manager Mary Thompson. Absent: Office Manager Lynette Jauert, County Commissioner Stan Williamson

Chair Hoff called the meeting to order and asked for any additions to the agenda. With no additions, motion to approve by Ossefoort, second by Esselink. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

2021 Meeting Schedule

Hartman presented the 2021 meeting schedule. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

2021 Annual Plan of Work

Hartman presented the 2021 Annual Plan of Work stating BWSR is in the process of adopting new criteria. July 2021 the Annual Plan of Work will be entered in ELINK. In the interim, he requested this plan be adopted. Motion to approve by Ossefoort, second by Cragoe. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Cost Share Amendments

Thompson presented the following amendments:

FY17-FR3B-1 for Kevin Rozeboom was amended to increase allowable cost share estimate from \$27,300.00 to \$39,094.25; cost share from \$24,588.00 to \$35,184.82. The original landowner opted for narrow base basins although the property had potential for farmable basins. The property was sold and in the course of the review of the project, Rozeboom, new landowner, opted for farmables. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Esselink. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

FY17-FR3B-15 for Ivan Bouw to amend contract holder to Tinklenberg Family Trust. Original contract was requested to be in Bouw's name as the renter per Bill Weber, Jensen Management Services. At time of payment he requested it be amended to allow the funds to go through the trust. Motion to approve by Ossefoort, second by Cragoe. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

FY18-FR3B-23 for Pete Bakken. Amending contract expiration date from 12/21/2020 to 6/30/2021. Motion to approve by Veldkamp, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

FY18-FR3B-24 for Jared Pap. Amending contract expiration date from 12/21/2020 to 6/30/2021. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

FY18-FR3B-25 for Jonathan Pap. Amending contract expiration date from 12/21/2020 to 6/30/2021. Motion to approve by Ossefoort, second by Cragoe. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Flood Relief 4

FY18-FR4-4 for Dave Tilstra was amended to increase allowable cost share estimate from \$12,590.00 to 18,347.03; cost share from \$11,331.09 to \$16,512.33. A ditch clean out was needed at the base of the waterway in order for it to drain properly. Bos added that there was also a need for additional tile as well. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

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FY18-BCS-8 for Harley Fransman. Amending contract expiration date from 12/21/2020 to 12/23/2021. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Flood Relief 3A

Thompson stated the following two contracts were fully funded by EQIP, therefore, Flood Relief contracts will be allowed to expire 12/23/2020 with no payment. No motion needed

FY16-FR3A-12 – Josh Fick for a waterway in Section 7, Luverne Township, NE 1/4

FY16-FR3A-14 – Chad Hoff for a waterway in Section 7, Luverne Township, NE1/4

Cost Share Payments

Thompson presented the following payments:

Flood Relief 3B

In an effort to spend Flood 3A dollars by 12/31/2021, Thompson requested amending funding source from 3B to 3A and approving payment for \$14,744.57 for contract FY17-FR3B-1 for Kevin Rozeboom for a basin project in Battle Plain, Section 30, NE ¼. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Thompson requested remainder of payment for \$20,440.25 for contract FY17-FR3B for Kevin Rozeboom be paid from original funding source, Flood 3B. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Contract FY17-FR3B-15 - Tinklenberg Family Trust for water and sediment control basin project in Battle Plain Township, Section 8 in the amount of \$9,733.88. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Esselink. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Contract FY17-FR3B-16 - Carol Boelman for water and sediment control basin project in Kanaranzi Township, Section 7 in the amount of \$8,677.50. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Contract FY17-FR3B-18 - Gloria Boelman for water and sediment control basin project in Kanaranzi Township, Section 7 in the amount of \$6,474.88. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Contract FY17-FR3B-26 – Jim Veldkamp for water and sediment control basin project in Rosedell Township, Section 1 in the amount of \$10,128.06. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Esselink. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried. Veldkamp abstained from the vote.

Flood Relief 4

In an effort to spend Flood 3A dollars by 12/31/2021, Thompson requested amending funding source for contract FY18-FR4-4 for Dave Tilstra for a waterway in Martin Township, Section 24, NW ¼ from Flood 4 to Flood 3A in the amount of \$13,776.33. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried. Motion to approve payment for \$13,776.33 by Cragoe, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

State Cost Share

Contract FY20-1- Craig Stegenga for waterway project in Luverne Township, Section 5 in the amount of \$1,097.79. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Conservation Use Acre Contracts

Thompson presented the following contracts.

Contract CUA- 25 - Josh Fick for 3.5 acres/\$350.00 on a grassed waterway project in Luverne Township, Section 7. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Contract CUA- 26 - Chad Hoff for 2.5 acres/\$250.00 on a grassed waterway project in Luverne Township, Section 7. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Contract CUA- 42 - Ivan Bouw for 2 acres/\$200.00 on a water and sediment control basin project in Battle Plain, Section 8. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

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Coonservation Use Acre Contract Cancellations

Thompson presented the following contract cancellations.

CUA- 18 – Tim Fick – project constructed after harvest. Motion to cancel by Ossefoort, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

CUA- 23 – Bruce Boelman – project constructed after harvest. Motion to cancel by Cragoe, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Financial Statements

Hartman presented the financial statements for September, 2020. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Hartman presented the financial statements for October, 2020. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

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Bills for Approval

Thompson presented the following bills:

City of Luverne – electric facility fee for tree trailer - \$26.00

Tollefson Publishing – tree ad - \$105.00

Total: \$136.00

2021 Budget

Hartman presented the 2021 proposed budget. After board discussion, motion to approve by Esselink, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Minutes

The board reviewed the minutes of the November 16 meeting. Motion to approve by Cragoe, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposed, motion carried.

The board reviewed the minutes of the December 7 meeting. Motion to approve by Ossefoort, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposed, motion carried.

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 19.

Motion to adjourn by Cragoe, second by Ossefoort. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Thompson".

Mary Thompson
Office Manager