

**Minutes of the meeting of the
Rock County Soil and Water Conservation District
Tuesday, July 20, 2020.**

A meeting of the Rock County Soil and Water District Board was held Tuesday, July 20, 2020, at 8:00 AM at the Prairie Service Center with the following members present: Roger Hoff, Jim Veldkamp, Josh Ossefoort, Dave Esselink, County Commissioner Stan Williamson, LMO Director Eric Hartman, LMO Assistant Director Doug Bos, Office Manager Mary Thompson. Absent: Gene Cragoe, Office Manager Lynette Jauert

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

One Watershed One Plan Overview of Approved Contracts:

Bos explained how the One Watershed One Plan projects are ranked and scored for funding. Projects receive points for number of acres treated, participation in the Water Quality Certification program and other funding, namely EQIP that is allocated to the project. Projects located in priority watersheds receive 90% cost share, those not in priority watersheds receive 75%.

Nobles SWCD is the fiscal host for the grant, therefore, projects using this funding are approved by them. Exceptions are projects that are \$50,000 or more and those that are good projects but not ranking high enough to receive funding. These will be approved by the One Watershed One Plan Joint Powers board. Rock County will still facilitate the contracts, construction and payment with landowners.

Bos gave an overview of the following Rock County projects approved by Nobles SWCD July 15, 2020:

FY20-MRWP-01-Drost for a waterway project in Section 18, Kanaranzi Township – Cost share allocated - \$12,668.40

FY20-MRWP-02-Rollag for a waterway project in Section 16, Martin Township – Cost share allocated - \$19,529.55.

FY20-MRWP-03- Fick for a waterway project in Section 5, Luverne Township – Cost share allocated - \$10,633.50

FY20-MRWP-04-VerSteeg for a waterway project in Section 2, Beaver Creek Township – Cost share allocated - \$42,994.80

FY20-MRWP-05-VerSteeg for a waterway project in Section 3, Beaver Creek Township – Cost share allocated - \$46,655.10

FY20-MRWP-06-VerSteeg for water and sediment control basin project in Section 3, Beaver Creek Township – Cost share allocated - \$24,738.75

FY20-MRWP-07-Fuerstenberg for a waterway project in Section 32, Vienna Township – Cost share allocated - \$8,565.20

FY20-MRWP-08-Fuerstenberg for water and sediment control basin project in Section 32, Vienna Township – Cost share allocated - \$17,619.75

FY20-MRWP-09-Van Hill for a waterway project in Section 3, Beaver Creek Township – Cost share allocated - \$14,505.75

Cost Share:

Thompson presented the following cost share items:

Flood Relief:

Partial payment for tile installed on contract FY18-FR4-2 for Gary Bush for a grassed waterway in Section 28, Magnolia township for \$3,084.26. Motion to approve by Veldkamp, second by Esselink. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

FY20 State Cost Share:

Contract FY20-1 for Craig Stegenga for a grassed waterway in Section 5, Luverne Township for \$2,294.40. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Conservation Use Acre Contract Cancellation:

Contract CUA-15. Duplicate contract. The conservation use acres were paid from contract CUA-31.

Conservation Use Acre Payment:

Contract CUA-31 for Todd Matus – 8.3 acres/\$100 per acre, \$830.00.

Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Financial Statements:

Tabled. LMO did not receive the June financial statements from the Auditor/Treasurer's office prior to the meeting. Statements will be reviewed and approved at the August 17, 2020 regular meeting.

Minutes:

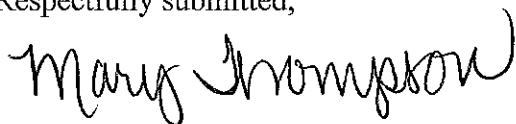
The board reviewed the minutes of the June 15, 2020 meeting. Motion to approve by Esselink, second by Veldkamp. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Approval of the June 29, 2020 minutes tabled until the August 17, 2020 meeting. Did not have two members present that were in attendance at this meeting to approve.

Next meeting will be a special meeting Thursday, July 23, 2020. Thompson will post notice of the meeting. Next regular meeting will be Monday, August 17, 2020 unless otherwise needed then August 3, 2020.

Motion to adjourn by Veldkamp, second by Esselink. All ayes, no opposes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Thompson
Office Manager