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MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
Lyon Soil & Water Conservation District
Tuesday, May 10, 2023 – 4:00 P.M.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:07 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Supervisors Present: Lanoue, Laleman, Prairie

Others Present: Olson, Giles, Biren, Snyder, Crowley

Absent: Meulebroeck, Deutz, Cauwels

Identify Any Conflicts of Interest: None

Approve Agenda – Motion by Laleman, 2nd by Prairie to approve the agenda. All in favor, motion carried

Approve April 12, 2023 Minutes

Motion by Prairie, 2nd by Laleman to approve April 12, 2023 Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Financial Reports

Business

- A. HELP Grant Update – City of Marshall – Discussion** – Discussion of the City of Marshall Pollinator Plots. The SWCD will be the fiscal agent and provide technical assistance, with the majority of workload coming from the City. City will provide required match on \$28,725.00 grant. Grant agreement to come.
- B. MASWCD – Call for Resolutions – 2023 Resolutions Process – Handout and Discussion** – Handout for the Call for Resolutions. Deadline is July 21, 2023 if we want to submit any resolutions.
- C. #07/21 - Melvin Monson –Grassed Waterway & Diversion Engineering Fees – Discussion and Approval** –Area II Minnesota River Basin Projects is requesting and partial reimbursement of 75% (\$3,319.50) for additional engineering redesign of plans to complete the diversion dike and replacement of the township’s culvert for Melvin Monson. Motion by Laleman, 2nd by Prairie to approve the additional engineering cost of \$3,319.50 for the Melvin Monson project. All in favor, motion carried.
- D. Redwood 1W1P Resolution of Support – Handout and Approval** – Motion by Laleman, 2nd by Prairie to have Chairman Lanoue sign the Resolution to support the Redwood River Watershed One Watershed, One Plan project. This supports and application to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for a planning grant to develop a comprehensive watershed management plan and anticipating entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the counties, soil and water conservation districts, and watershed districts within the Redwood River Watershed. All in favor, motion carried.

- E. **RCRCA Joint Powers Agreement Renewal– Handout and Approval** – Motion by Laleman, 2nd by Prairie to have Chairman Lanoue sign the Redwood-Cottonwood Rivers Control Area Joint Powers Agreement. The purpose is the joint exercise of powers by the undersigned governmental units to develop and implement plans with regard to the protection of property from damage of flooding; controlling erosion of land; protection of property, streams and lakes from sedimentation and pollution; and maintain and improving the quality of water in the streams, lakes and ground water and improving recreational and wildlife. All in favor, motion carried.
- F. **#03/23 – Dan Kruger-Cover Crop Cost Share –Encumber Funds – Handout and Approval** – Motion by Prairie, 2nd by Laleman to encumber funds for Dan Kruger’s soil health contract in the amount of \$3,548.63, which is a flat rate payment. Assistance on year-one alfalfa and oats as conservation cover and cover crops on approximately 29 acres. Funds will be taken from FY 2023 Soil Health Cost Share. All in favor, motion carried.
- G. **#20/22 – James & Helen Rokeh – Grassed Waterway – Voucher Payment Approval** – Motion by Laleman, 2nd by Prairie to approve the Cost Share Voucher in the amount of \$5,291.25 for cleaning, shaping and seeding a Grassed Waterway. Amount is 75% of the total cost of \$7,018.75. Landowner amount is \$1,727.50. Funds will be taken from 2021 Local Capacity. All in favor, motion carried.

District Technician – Luke, Courtney and Blake - Technicians have been surveying, working on buffer compliance, septic review, and feedlots. Staff picked up the new Ranger and trailer

District Report – John – Pheasant Forever made an offer on 40 acres of Rolland Hass’s property, which will be contiguous to the Highpoint WMA expansion. CD17 tile will be outletted, if possible, into this wetland, taking pressure off the system.

District Conservationist – Kelly Heather – Millions in Federal funding expected for projects in 2024, should address backlock in projects, particularly structural. CSP will also ramp up. Local Work group submitted.

Pheasants Forever – Brock Boerboom – No report.

Committee Reports

- **RCRCA** – No report
- **Area II River Basins** - No report
- **Area V** – June 15th meeting in Luverne, tour hosted by Rock County.
- **SW Prairie TSA Meeting** - No report
- **Park & Rec** – Survey completed for Garvin camper cabins, bathrooms and new picnic shelter.
- **Yellow Medicine Watershed** – No report
- **One Watershed One Plan (Yellow Medicine)** – No report
- **One Watershed One Plan (Des Moines)** – Finalizing project tracking, JPA meeting May 18th in Windom.
- **One Watershed One Plan (Cottonwood – Middle MN)** Plan kickoff meetings scheduled for June 1st in Springfield, June 2nd in Walnut Grove
- **One Watershed One Plan (Redwood)** - No report
- **County** – Conditional use permit for a 1 mW solar farm near Balaton.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Lyon SWCD Board Chair Signature

Attest by Board Member

Date

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