

Minutes of the Meeting of the Managers

Turtle Creek Watershed District

December 17th, 2019

The Turtle Creek Watershed Board of Managers met at the Government Center in Hollandale Minnesota at 5 P.M. Present were Jeff Ravenhorst, Jon Erichson, Michelle Miller, Dave Vanderploeg, Pete VanErkel, Steve Penkava, and Steve Lawler. Atty Kurt Deter was absent.

Also attending the meeting were Dale Krystosek—BWSR Performance Review and Assistance Program, Carroll Clausen, Wayne Borneman, and Tom Butler.

After a correction in the November 2019 for the permit application for CDN,LLC. The application should have stated to **restore a wetland in section 32 NOT tile**. Pete made a motion to accept the minutes seconded by Jeff and carried.

Steve Lawler reports in correspondence the Turtle Creek Watershed received an Excellence award from the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust Certification in recognition of an Outstanding Loss Ratio under 50%.

The Treasure report showed \$158,831.70 in checking and \$ 22,183.40 in savings. Pete made a motion to accept this report subject to audit seconded by Dave and carried. Jon distributed the Bank Reconciliation and Financial reports for November 2019, there was no discussion.

The following bills were submitted to be approved and forwarded to Pat Martinson—Freeborn County Auditor-Treasure:

Jones,, Haugh, Smith, Inc.	\$ 4,600.00 (ditch J12)
Jones, Haugh, Smith, Inc.	\$ 1,500.00 (ditch #8)
Jones, Haugh, Smith Inc.	\$ 2,932.50 (Routine Maintenance J 24)
Jones, Haugh, Smith Inc.	\$ 2,817.50 (Routine Maintenance J 24)
Jones, Haugh, smith Inc	\$ 5,681.74 (Routine Maintenance J 24)
Jones, Haugh, Smith Inc.	\$ 5,954.88 (Freeborn Construction)
Jones, Haugh, Smith Inc.	\$ 3,098.63 (Freeborn Construction)

Pete made a motion to approve and forward the bills to Pat seconded by Dave and carried.

The following bills were submitted for payment by the District:

Hill Larson & Walth PA	\$ 158.00
Verizon Wireless	\$ 55.08
City of Hollandale	\$ 600.00 (2019 building rent)
Troy Hawkshead	\$ 360.00 (beaver tails)

Damel Corp	\$ 6,760.00
Mower SWCD	\$ 7,750.00
Jeff Ravenhorst	\$ 225.00
Peter VanErkel	\$ 225.00
Dave Vanderploeg	\$ 225.00
Michelle Miller	\$ 563.15
Jon Erichson	\$ 358.68
Rinke-Noonan	\$ 950.00
Nancy Finley	\$ 1,062.00

Pete made a motion to approve the bills seconded by Dave and carried.

Tom Butler addressed the Board with questions regarding tiling and outlets. After discussion Pete suggested Tom return to the January 2020 meeting when Legal Counsel will be present to answer his concerns.

An application for permit was submitted by Randy Larson for tiling location pumping station in Hayward Twsp Freeborn Cty N ½ NE ¼ NW ¼ section 29 twsp 103 R20W Drainage system CD J18 private tile without agreement.. Mr. Larson is his own Contractor. Pete made a motion to grant this application seconded by Jeff and carried. Permit # 12-01-19.

Dale Krystosek from BWSR attended the meeting to talk to the Board about the Performance Review and Assistance Program. LGU's are selected by BWSR every 10 years or so to be evaluated through this program. Dale explained the program (Level II) and states is a routine interactive review of an LGU with the goal of covering all LGUs at least once every 10 years. A Level II review evaluates progress on plan implementation, operational effectiveness, and partner relationships. This review includes assessing compliance and performance standards. Dale passed out Performance standard sheet and ask the Board to complete them and also will be receiving a survey that can be completed either on the computer or hand written and ask the managers to please complete it. He will attend the meeting again approximately March to discuss the results.

Steve Penkava presented the Board with the report for improvements along Branch D of JD 12. Att'y Deter will review the report and the Board will schedule the date for the public hearing at the January 2020 meeting for a 30 day waiting time for mailing of notices for the hearing.

Pete made a motion to hold the 2020 planning workshop at 4 P.M. on January 21st, 2020 before the regular Board meeting, seconded by Jeff and carried.

Jon made a motion to recommend CliftonLarsonAllen LLP to do the auditing services for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 2019 as in the past, seconded by Pete and carried.

Att;y Deter reported (with a letter due to his absence) to Mark Behrends –(Viewer) he had the opportunity to review the proposed Viewers' Report for the Redetermination of Benefits for JCD #24 in

conjunction with Minnesota Statutes 103E.321 and found the items required under a Viewers report have all been met in this report. Mark has talked to Pat Martinson and decided that the landowners in the eleven ditches that will have outlet benefits into JCD#24 will need to be notified of the meetings. Mark will work with Brad Edwards to reserve the space and work with Pat to get the information out. Once the final meetings are complete the Viewers will work with the Board to set up the public hearing.

Pete made a motion to direct Michelle to sign off on the projects for Mark Anderson and Anderson Thompson seconded by Dave and carried. Steve Lawler has the paperwork with his files.

Jeff made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Dave and carried.

Respectfully, Submitted

Nancy K. Finley

Recording Secretary

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and Blessings in 2020