



Yellow Medicine River Watershed District

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING Minuets

December 21, 2020 8:30 a.m.

Board: Dritz (Video), Volstad (Video), Buysse (Video), Briggs (Video), Kamrath (Video)

Staff: Overholser (In-Person), Timm (In-Person)

Public: Crowley, Laleman

Call to Order

Close Meeting for Administrator Review

Open Meeting 9:00 a.m.

- 1.1 Set Agenda
- 1.2 November Regular Meeting Minutes - **Kamrath moved to approve. Briggs seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**
- 1.3 Treasurer's Report - **Briggs moved to approve. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

Permits to Approve

2.1

Public Comment and Reports

- 3.1 Manager Reports – Dritz reported that he attended the MAWD Annual meeting. Reported that there has been some discussion on if a county can terminate a Managers appointment mid-term. Kamrath – reported that he attended some sessions at MAWD, thought it went well but in person is much better.
- 3.2 Tech Report – Timm gave a report that he attended MAWD, some permits a few permit questions. Did some site visits with Overholser.
- 3.3 Administrator's Report – Overholser reported that she had inquiry if there had been a permit to run a tile through the golf course in Cottonwood. Reported that the engagement letter has arrived for the 2019 and 2020 Audit. Only a few permits have come in over the last month. Overholser attended the MAWD conference.
- 3.4 Crowley reported that Lyon county increased the county levy. He also reported that the county will be receiving some small business grant money from the state of Minnesota.

Old Business

- 4.1 Tiling Policy
 - 4.2 Ag Impact Mitigation
- Briggs moved to table old business until Jan. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**

New Business

- 5.1 Cell Phone Stipend – **Kamrath moved to approved for Jerimiah to have a cell phone stipend of \$40.00/month. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 5-0.**
- 5.2 Health Insurance – Premiums went up this year.
Buysse moved to increase the Health Insurance allowance to \$1500/month, Volstad seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

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5.3 Burton Lake – A report was received that during the tile repair work North of Burton Lake, the area may have been built up more than it was previously. Overholser and Timm conducted a site visit. Using 2011 LIDAR contour line maps, the staff felt that the work that was done restored the ground to 2011 elevations. There does not appear to be a violation.

5.4 Tiling without a permit

Marshfield 9 – Goody Farms, had a report of some tiling without a permit by WD 8. Overholser and Timm conducted a sit visit and confirmed it looks as if some tiling had been done. Overholser will send out a violation letter.

YM1W1P Cost-Share Contracts

6.1

YM1W1P Payments

6.2 Regnier - \$14,570.63

6.3 Lasnetski - \$27,212.00

6.4 Sterzinger - \$5653.12

Adjourn

Dates to Note:

Regular Meeting

January 18th, 2020

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