



Yellow Medicine River Watershed District

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 17, 2020

Attendance:

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

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

Public: Gary Laleman, Dale Sterzinger

Call to Order

- 1.1 Set Agenda
Briggs moved to set the agenda. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- 1.2 July Regular Meeting Minutes
Buysse moved to approve the minutes. Briggs seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- 1.3 Treasurer's Report
Volstad moved to approve payment of the presented bills. Kamrath seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Permits to Approve

- 2.1 Gerald Lasnetski Marble 22 – A permit was presented to outlet a tile line for a grass waterway. The potential overland flow would flow onto the neighbors to the north. The neighbor has not been able to come to a solution with the engineer. The district will send out a letter to the affected landowner to identify exactly what the concerns are and to see if we can help the parties come to an agreement.
- 2.2 K & R Farms Omro 29 – A permit was presented to add tile to an existing outlet. The downstream neighbor objects to any more tile being added upstream of him. The district will contact the landowners and see if some agreement can be reached by altering the design. Possibly tiling all the way to the public water.

Public Comment and Reports

- 3.1 Manager Reports – Dritz, Briggs, and Kamrath gave reports
- 3.2 Tech Report
- 3.3 Administrator's Report

Old Business

- 4.1 Hoffman – Still waiting to hear back from other agencies
- 4.2 Ag impact mitigation – Overholser will continue to work on this

New Business

- 5.1 Meeting Policy – Overholser will draft a policy of when meetings will be held in person, a hybrid model or completely online
- 5.2 Tiling Policy – Tabled A policy outlining the steps taken when approving a permit was drafted. The board will review and it will be sent out to the advisory committee for comments.
- 5.3 Watershed Clean Water Representative FYI – MAWD will soon be recommending a new appointment to represent Watershed Districts on the clean water council.

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- 5.4 Set public meeting and hearing date
Briggs moved to have the Budget Hearing September 21, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- 5.5 2021 Budget – Overholser presented the draft 2021 budget.

YM1W1P Cost-Share Contracts

- 6.1 Duane Fier
- 6.2 Eric Dybsetter – Alta Vista 17
- 6.3 John Jerzak
- 6.4 Tim Jerzak
- 6.5 Randy Janiszkeski
- 6.6 Gerald Lasnetski

Volstad moved to approve the cost-share contracts. Briggs seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

YM1W1P Payments

- 6.2

Adjourn

Dates to Note:

Regular Meeting September 21th

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