



Yellow Medicine River Watershed District

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 2020

Attendance:

Board: Dritz (Video), Volstad (Video), Buysse (Video), Briggs (Video) (9:10)

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

Public: Gary Laleman, Gary Crowley, Kerry Netzke, Luke Olsen

Call to Order

1.1 Set Agenda

Buysse moved to set agenda. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

1.2 August Regular Meeting Minutes

Buysse moved to accept the minutes. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

1.3 Treasurer's Report

Volstad moved to accept the report. Buysse seconded. Motion passed 3-0

Budget Hearing 9:07 – 9:12

There were no public comments regarding the budget. Gary Crowley wanted to clarify that the district is not changing the levy amounts.

Permits to Approve

2.1

Public Comment and Reports

3.1 Manager Reports – Dritz gave a report

3.2 Tech Report – Jeremiah gave a report

3.3 Administrator's Report – Michelle gave a report

Old Business

4.1 Hoffman – DNR does not feel like their rules were violated. Still waiting to hear regarding a wetland violation.

4.2 Tiling Policy

Volstad moved to table. Briggs seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

New Business

5.1 Stoney Run 32 – Dam Repair. Netzke was requesting that the District assist the landowners with \$3000 to help them with the match on the dam repair cost-share. The board had concerns since the project is outside the levy area.

Briggs moved to table, Volstad seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Buysse moved to reopened the discussion after Netzke returned with more information. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 4-0. Netzke withdrew the request for funds.

5.2 Fixen/Rokeh Basin – Luke Olson, Lyon SWCD, presented a potential cost-share contract in a non-priority area, there is substantial gully erosion occurring in the three fields, Fixen applied for a cost-share basin project, the engineer reported that basins would be

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needed upstream also, in order to meet design specification. The upstream landowner will not do the project unless he can get more cost-share. It is requested that the district help with 15% of the 25% match out of District general funds.

Buyse moved to provide the 15% additional cost-share. Volstad seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

5.3 2021 Budget

Buyse moved to accept the proposed budget and levy of \$240,000. Briggs seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

5.4 MAWD Delegates/Annual Meeting – we will need to pick delegates at the next meeting.

YM1W1P Cost-Share Contracts

6.1 Lasnetski – Royal 15 Waterway project

Volstad moved to approve the contract. Briggs seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

YM1W1P Payments

6.2 Greg Swedzinski

6.3 Duane Fier

6.4 Ken Jeremiason

6.5 Robert Fixen

Volstad moved to approve payments. Buyse seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Adjourn

Dates to Note:

Regular Meeting October 19

MN Drainage Inspectors 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. October 19

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