# MINUTES OF THE WOODBURY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING May 24, 2022

#### **Call to Order**

The regular meeting of the Woodbury Soil & Water Conservation District was called to order by Chairman Lane Tabke at 8:30 am on Tuesday May 24, 2022, at the USDA Service Center.

Present were

**Commissioners:** 

Lane Tabke

Jason Yockey Kelly Ingenthron

Staff:

Randi Prichard, Acting District Conservationist, Le Mars

Kristi Kranz, Conservation Assistant, Sergeant Bluff

Other:

Tabke appointed Kranz the recorder of the meeting.

# **Agenda**

Tabke called for discussion of the Agenda.

**(2022-59)** Motion was made by Ingenthron and seconded by Yockey to approve the following consent agenda items. Motion carried.

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of the April 19, 2022 regular and May 18, 2022 special meeting minutes

Approval of the March & April Treasurers reports

## **Payment of Bills**

(2022-60) Motion was made by Ingenthron and seconded by Yockey to approve the following bills:

# Pioneer Bank- Little Sioux

2105	Heying Endeavors LLC Payroll Reimbursement	\$1426.24
2106	Flewelling Earthmoving Structure Maintenance	\$ 300.00
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# Pioneer Bank- District Revolving

2367 Schumachers Nursery Tree Sales \$ 65	\$ 657.66	5
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# (2022-61) Motion was made by Ingenthron and seconded by Yockey to approve the following deposits:

Pioneer Bank- Little Sioux

Dep Woodbury County 28E Agreement \$13,000.00

#### **Balances:**

Commissioners' Beginning Balance:	\$ 1,203.15
Commissioners' Ending Balance	\$ 1,203.15
Petty Cash Beginning and Ending Balance:	\$ 24.31

# **State Cost Share**

# **Balances**

Cost Share Balance: \$0 REAP Cost Share Balances:

Native Grasses: \$337.68 Practices: \$10,456.03

(2022-62) Motion was made by Ingenthron and seconded by Yockey to approve the following Cost Share apps for

funding: Motion Carried

ContractNameProjectTotal EligibleTotal Cost ShareLocation98838Hunt FarmsPasture & Hay Planting \$10,000.00\$5,000Sloan 3

(2022-63) Motion was made by Ingenthron and seconded by Yockey to approve the following cost share payment certification and maintenance agreemen: Motion Carried

Contrac	<u>ct</u> <u>Name</u>	<u>Project</u>	Total Eligible	Total Cost Share	<b>Location</b>
98087	Stanley Petersen	Pasture & Hayland	\$610.00	\$305.00	Morgan 20
96784	Steven Pittman	Terrace Rebuild	\$9208.50	\$4604.25	

(2022-64) Motion was made by Ingenthron and seconded by Yockey to approve the following Cost share amendments: Motion Carried

<u>Contract</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Project</u>	Total Eligible	Total Cost Share
96784	Steven Pittman	Terrace Rebuild	\$9208.50	\$4604.25

(2022-65) Motion was made by Ingenthron and seconded by Yockey to approve the following Compliance plans & CRP Plans: Motion Carried

#### **SWCD Business**

## **Old Business**

Kim Alexander issue has been sent to Dan Paulsen to check into the letter we need to send out. Pichard will check into and Kranz will send an email to Dan Paulsen on it again.

#### **New Business**

Conservation Farmer of the year nomination – Commissioners decided to pass this year. Kranz will see if she can get a list of prior year nominees before next year.

Kaitlin Stouffer Joined the meeting at this time:

Stouffer went over terrace removal information for Al Bruin (producer) and owners 5 Sister and Marc VanHouten, Commissioners agree that we should stand strong in having to pay back any cost share if terraces are removed and Tabke will sit in on a meeting with everyone if we decided to do that.

Kaitlin Stouffer left the meeting at this time:

Kranz went over the County Creek Program and Prichard and Kranz will look into to applying and what the cost would be.

#### **Staff Reports**

# **Secretary Report**

Kranz reported that Hungry Canyons is having the summer meeting in June if anyone wants to go. We are starting to take applications for the WQI Protices

Ben Anderson will be taking off 5/31/22-6/3/22

# **NRCS Report**

Prichard reported the following:

- New IDNR Private Land Biologist, Liam Bell, Started May 16<sup>th</sup>. He's been going out with Megann Schmidt, his predecessor, and doing CRP status reviews, and going to the other counties in the team.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> round EQIP ranking deadline was 5/20/22, we had 4 apps, 2 brush management, one CNMP, and one livestock well. No word yet on if any will be funded.
- Kaitlin & Randi have been doing some field checks & certifications for EQIP contracts, compliance plans here and there, and fielding calls and counter traffic.
- Randi has 60 compliance status reviews to do in Woodbury & Plymouth counties, about 21 complete so far.
- 2022 WQI signup announced for cover crops, No-till/strip till and nitrification inhibitor, Kristi sent letters out to previous cover crop users.

#### **Watershed Report**

Ben Anderson typed a report of the structures he inspected.

# **Meetings and Upcoming Events**

## **Next Meeting**

- A. June 21st meeting @ 8:30 am USDA Service Center Meeting Room
- B. June 10<sup>th</sup> 9am 2 pm Hungry Canyons Summer Qtr Meeting

# **Adjourn**

(2022-66) Motion was made by Yockey adjourned at 9:18 am.  Date Approved: (0/21/27	and seconded by Ingenthron to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting
Date Approved: (V/2) / 25	Lane Tabke, Chairman
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Ted Bromander, Secretary	Kristi Kranz, Recorder