

February 27, 2023 (a)

APPROVED
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE
MIDDLE-SNAKE-TAMARAC RIVERS WATERSHED DISTRICT
HELD VIRTUALLY USING MICROSOFT TEAMS AND AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE
8:30 a.m. February 27, 2023

The Meeting was called to order by President Bill Petersen, Managers Bill Petersen, Eric Johnson, Robert Kovar, Brad Blawat and Joey McGregor were present. Tyler Larson, Kyle Schlomann, Danny Omdahl, Katrina Haugen, Rolland Miller and Jim Duckstad were also present. Mori Maher, and Tony Nordby attended the Meeting virtually.

Motion by Mr. Joey McGregor, seconded by Mr. Eric Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Dillon Nelson joined the Meeting at approximately 8:32 a.m. (virtual).

Motion by Mr. Eric Johnson, seconded by Mr. Robert Kovar to approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2023, Regular Board Meeting as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and filed for the auditor.

Motion by Mr. Joey McGregor, seconded by Mr. Brad Blawat to pay the following bills: Payroll 6919-6928 in the amount of \$19,019.87; from Administrative funds check #19558-19586 inclusive of an ACH withdrawal and service charge in the amount of \$38,161.08; from RRWMB funds check #216 in the amount of \$23,569.45; from Project funds check #3376-3382 in the amount of \$128,805.19; from Ditch funds check #3572-3580 in the amount of \$146,058.61. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. Eric Johnson, seconded by Mr. Brad Blawat to deny the following permit and allow time to observe how the already permitted works will impact the water flow.

Permit 23-003 Lowell Hamrick to remove (3)-18" and (1)-15" crossing culverts on North side of CSAH #67 in E2 SE4 of section 24 Brislet Twp and SW4 Section 19 Helgeland Twp and install a new 24" culvert at each crossing location.

Administrator Maher Administratively approved an extension on the following permit until March 30, 2023, to allow Christian Erickson time to get the outlet structure installed:

Permit 21-051 Christian Erickson to install 140 acres of field drain tile with ¼" drainage coefficient; 80' tile spacings; gravity outlet into North Marshall CSAH #2 Ditch in the SE4 of Section 36 Comstock Twp.

Administrator Maher stated that the Bid notice for the SD#3 Streambank Stabilization project has been sent out and the Bid opening date will be March 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. during the regular Board Meeting. The deadline to have the work completed is July 14, 2023.

There was a discussion of the March Property repair. Motion by Mr. Eric Johnson, seconded by Mr. Joey McGregor to accept the low quote of Higher Ground construction for the work to be completed at the March Property.

Higher Ground	RJ Zavoral	Andy Anderson	Blooming Valley	Gowan
\$ 107,352.92	\$ 118,623.85	\$ 140,388.04	\$ 143,669.80	\$ 159,079.30

Motion unanimously carried.

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Motion by Mr. Eric Johnson, seconded by Mr. Joey McGregor to authorize Manager Brad Blawat to sign the notice for equipment rental rates for 2023. Submitted rates will be opened on March 31, 2023, at 1:00 p.m.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. Joey McGregor, seconded by Mr. Brad Blawat to accept the high bids for hay land rental at the following locations.

LAND RENTAL BID OPENING	
Friday, February 17, 2023	
1:00 P.M.	
AGASSIZ VALLEY WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	
Portion of the SW1/4 Section 12 67.6 acres more or less	
2023-2027	
David Erlenmeyer	11,914.50
David Jadeke	4,000.00
Richard P. Nelson Floodway	
Portions of section 31 in McCreia Twp, Section 6 in McCreia Strip, and Section 1 in Boxville Twp 62.3 acres more or less	
2023-2027	
Gordon Wetterlund	18,000
David Erlenmeyer	10,980.38
PL-566 Diversion Ditch	
Parcels in section 2 Boxville Twp 32.19 acres more or less	
2023-2027	
Pierce Rosendahl Farms LLC	26,000.00
Off Channel Storage Site	
Part of the W 1/2 of Section 15 and part of the NW SE of Section 15 Comstock Twp 60 acres more or less	
2023-2027	
Bryan Bolstad	10,555.71

Motion unanimously carried.

Manager Bill Petersen provided an update from the Red River Watershed Management Board and Flood Damage Reduction Work Group meeting held in Moorhead last week. He stated that Technician Danny Omdahl was a presenter at the meeting who reviewed the 2017-2020 Audubon Cattail study that was performed at the Agassiz Valley Impoundment.

Manager Joey McGregor provided an update on the One Watershed One Plan Meeting that was held last week. The Policy Committee approved purchasing Houston Engineering’s developed spreadsheet called BEAST to assist in the planning of practices and measuring outcomes of practices being implemented.

Communication was distributed on the MN DNR Ringdike Funding and the name change of The Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts (MAWD) to Minnesota Watersheds.

The following meetings were announced:

1. MSTRWD Regular Board of Managers Meeting Monday, March 6, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in Warren, MN.
2. MSTRWD Regular Board of Managers Meeting Monday, March 20, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in Warren, MN
3. RRWMB meeting Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in Ada, MN

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Motion by Mr. Brad Blawat, seconded by Mr. Eric Johnson to adjourn the Meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:07 a.m.

Katrina Haugen
Recording Secretary

Brad Blawat
Assistant Secretary