

May 28, 2019
SWCD Office

Supervisors Present: Mark Jordan, Mark Kingma, Derek Luchik, Jim Martin and Lana Zimmer.

Supervisors Absent:

Staff Present: Sheila Schroeder

Partners Present:

Citizens Present:

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Mark Jordan called the meeting to order at 3:27 pm CST. Prior to the official start of the meeting, Derek Carty, who recently accepted the District Program Manager position was introduced. Discussion was held about possible trainings he may attend, and his start date which will be June 17. Sheila gave the Jasper gmail login information to Derek C. She will put job descriptions and the strategic plan into the administrative folder on the Google drive. A sheet from Jackson County SWCD was discussed. Sheila will update that to fit Jasper County SWCD.

2. Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from April were presented for review. Lana moved to approve, Mark K. seconded, motion passed.

3. Treasurer's Report, Claims

The treasurer's report and claims in the amount of \$956.87 for April were presented for approval. Derek L. motioned to approve the reports and claims and Mark K. seconded. Motion carried. Reports will be filed for audit.

4. Correspondence

Jasper Foundation grant discussed. Derek L. motioned to accept the grant and fund the rest of the project with CWI money, Jim seconded, and the motion passed. Plan is to build the cover crop boxes after the fair. Could county highway remove some of that concrete for us? Fair board might remove it too. Mark will check on this. Jim mentioned using masonry instead of cedar. Discussion was held. Stone might be more expensive and more time consuming.

5. Old Business

5.1 Kankakee – QAPP was finished and submitted; IDEM came here to review it; revisions were made; we have conditional QAPP approval so can begin billing for water quality monitoring activities. We received an additional \$30,100 for the duration of the grant; part of what we want to do is purchase a piece of equipment to measure stream flow more precisely than our current flow meter. Sheila will order said equipment. Lana, Carolyn and Sheila are working on sections 1-3 of the WMP.

- 5.2 CWI 2019 – Interseeding; Mark J will clarify with Dan that the invoice he submitted is for May 15-June 15, and Sheila will pay his invoice.
- 5.3 Open grants – LARE cover crop cost share was discussed; grant ends in September; need to get those funds spent, up to \$9000 of the \$13K could be used for cover crops. Prevent plant might cause a lot more people to potentially plant cover crops.
- 5.4 RC&D grant – Sheila will send a report and ask for a one year extension on the grant – put in Old Business for next month, introduce Derek C. in that letter and explain Dan left, new guy, etc.
- 5.5 Annual Plan of Work – Update the Master Tracker with names, dates, etc. sort by date the copies for the meeting

6 New Business

- 6.1 319 Call for NOI – Applying for Iroquois Implementation grant was discussed; Tweak the application to hit hard on the role of cover crops on addressing flooding, etc. Lana moves to file the NOI, Mark K. seconds, motion passes.
- 6.2 CWI 2020 – Tabled for now.
- 6.3 District Program Manager, Derek Carty, Memorandum of Understanding from County was discussed and signed.
- 6.4 Biztera – app for approvals was discussed. Mark will look into it.

7 Agency Reports

- 7.1 Office – no report.
- 7.2 NRCS – no report.
- 7.3 ISDA – no report.
- 7.4 Purdue Extension – no report.

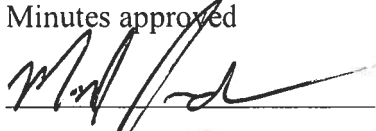
8 Other Business

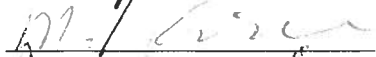
- 8.1 KRBC – next week will be the final KRBC meeting as the unit currently stands with 24 members. Then the group is renamed and reorganized. It will consist of 1 appointment from each county – probably the surveyor; also non voting advisory positions will be open; region director Kim Peterson will be on the advisory board. The 9th member is determined by state – DNR director or someone governor chooses. Mark K. may or may not still be involved. Mark K. explained how they will raise 2.3 million to do the necessary maintenance.
- 8.2 June 18 – next meeting, meet at the Fair Building at noon for work/lunch, etc. and clean it out; meeting at 3:00.

8.3 Derek L. reported on Solar farm, BZA meeting, Tefft area and west of there; 2500/2600 acres that would be taken out of farming. The BZA tabled further discussion until July 15. As members of the BZA, Jim and Mark J. left the room during the discussion.

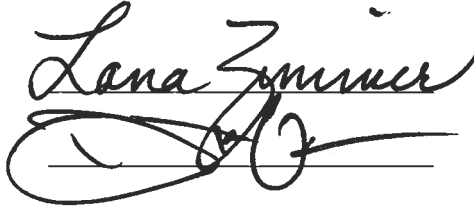
Chairman Mark J. adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Minutes approved









Respectfully submitted



Sheila Schroeder