

Pursuant to notice and due call a regular meeting of the Upper Minnesota River Watershed District Board was held Tuesday July 14, 2020 at the district office at 211 Second Street SE in Ortonville, MN. Board members present were: Holker, Haugen, Gillespie, Bork and Meyer. Staff member present was Administrator, Amber Doschadis. No members of the public were present during this meeting.

Chairperson Holker called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES and DISBURSEMENTS- A motion was made by Bork to approve the June 2, 2020 minutes as submitted, seconded by Haugen. Motion Carried 5-0
Disbursements will be presented at the August meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Whetstone River Restoration

A landowner update meeting is scheduled for July 29th at 6:30 pm in Big Stone City
Doschadis will attend the annual CBSL Meeting to give a presentation on the Project.

2. Toelle Coulee

Construction began on May 18th and is near complete with just a few areas to touch up
A motion was made by Gillespie, seconded by Bork to reimburse the Duffield's for replacing their fence where it was removed because of the project. Motion Carried 5-0

3. Browns Valley Diversion Channel

Doschadis hosted a pre-construction meeting on July 8th and Gladen Construction plans to begin late July/ early August.
Larson Helicopters will attempt to spray the channel next week for volunteer trees.

4. Browns Valley Memo, Doschadis will follow up with Rinke Noonan.

5. Beardsley Dry Lake

A motion was made by Holker, seconded by Haugen to reimburse Jerome Schwagerl for 4 acres at \$250 per acre that he is unable to plant because of the open areas in his field. Motion Carried 5-0

Doschadis presented current expenses on the Dry Lake system and will look into a future assessment

6. Kleindl Wetland Bank

Doschadis presented a letter from BWSR stating our proposal was not selected because our credits are not certified at this time. There will be another round of requests towards the end of 2020.

7. Marsh Lake- final inspection was on June 3rd. There will be a ribbon cutting in Spring 2021.

8. Shible/Hegbert Drainage- We haven't heard back from them, likely due to COVID restrictions

9. WRAPS Grant ended June 30th.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2021 Budget Review. A motion to approve for August Hearing was made by Meyer, seconded by Bork. Motion Carried 5-0

2. 2019 Audit was presented by Doschadis. Board will review at the August meeting.

3. MAWD- Request for Resolutions. Discussion took place regarding possible resolutions to bring to the association. Doschadis will look into the process and report back at the August meeting.

4. Big Stone County- Manager Reappointment. Gillespie reviewed and signed the Managers Bond and Oath with Meyer as secretary co-signing.
5. Bank Signature Cards-
A motion was made by Bork, seconded by Haugen to update the MinnWest and Cenbank Signature Cards to remove Dianne Radermacher and Bob Toelle, adding Jon Bork and Amber Doschadis.
Motion Carried 5-0

NEW PERMITS

- 52-20. Shane Maas- N ½ of NE ¼ Odessa 27. Approve M/S/C- Bork, Gillespie
53-20. Eldon Knutson- SW ¼ Artichoke 7 Approve M/S/C- Gillespie, Haugen
54-20. Rodney Parrott/ DGOG- NW ¼ Folsom 34. Pending Signature- M/S/C Haugen, Bork
55-20. Richard Strei- SW ¼ Otrej 18 Approve M/S/C- Holker, Gillespie
62-20. Leon Westbrook- NW ¼ and SW ¼ Arthur 19. Table until we receive plan
64-20. Tom Herberg/ Larry Duetsch. W ½ Foster 28 Approve M/S/C- Haugen, Bork
65-20. Tom Herberg. SW ¼ Foster 17 Approve M/S/C- Holker, Bork
66-20. Tom Herberg. W ½ Browns Valley East 23 Approve M/S/C- Bork, Haugen
67-20. Tim Danielson. SE ¼ Artichoke 7, NE ¼ Artichoke 18 Approve M/S/C- Holker, Gillespie
68-20. Mark Kleindl. NE ¼ Prior 14 Approve M/S/C- Bork, Meyer

ADMINISTRATOR APPROVED

- 56-20. Mike Vangness- NE ½ Lower Prior 1. Repair/Replace Existing Tile
57-20. Mike Trulson- Foster 29- Shoreline Restoration
58-20. Paul Strong- SW ¼ Prior 16. Repair Existing Tile
59-20. Eldon Knutson- NW ¼ Artichoke 18, SW ¼ Artichoke 7. Ditch Cleanout
60-20. Jeff and Karen Wisdorf- Foster 29. Shoreline Restoration
61-20. Jeremy Ohm- Ortonville 16. Tree Removal from Minnesota River
63-20. Arthur/ Folsom Townships SW ¼ Arthur 31, SE ¼ Folsom 36. New Culvert

PERMITS PENDING

- 13-19. Baby Blue Farms- SE ¼, NE ¼ Malta 29
20-19. Mike Vangness- NE ¼ Lower Prior 1
25-19. Matt Hipple- SW ¼ Big Stone 13
35-19. Doug Nelson- NW ¼ Big Stone 5
48-19. Shane Maas- N ½ of NE ¼ Odessa 27
49-19. Tom Herberg- N ½ Foster 21
50-19. Roger Folk- Lakeshore Lower Prior 13
51-19. Raymond Arens- SE ¼ Toqua 23
59-19. Mark Botker- E ½ Almond 21
62-19. Edward Anderson- NW ¼ Almond 25
68-19. Douglas Diekmann- E ½ Toqua 3
70-19. Prior Township-SE¼ of SE¼ Prior 23
93-19. Terry Gillespie- E ½ of NW ¼ Malta 36
96-19. Gary Haugen- NE ¼ of NE ¼ Almond 14
100-19. Pete Holme- SE ¼ Akron 7
102-19. Wayne Zych- E ½ and S ½ Arthur 34
103-19. Wayne Zych- NE ¼ Arthur 34
104-19 Evan Holker- NW ¼ Otrej 16
106-19. Terry Gillespie- NE ¼ Lower Prior 2
107-19. Al Webster- NE ¼ of SW ¼ Odessa 19
114-19. Scott Meyer- SE ¼ Odessa 12

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120-19. Bruce Moberg- E ½ Malta 30
01-20. Paul Strong- E ½ of NW ¼ Big Stone 8
04-20. Almond Township- S ½ Almond 28
08-20. Vern Johnson- SE ¼ Lower Prior 1
10-20. David Botker- SE ¼ Prior 1
13-20. Doug Adelman- S ½ of SW ¼ Big Stone 7, N ½ of NE ¼ Big Stone 18
27-20. Bruce Moberg- N ½ of NE ¼ Malta 30
28-20. Bruce Moberg- S ½ of SE ¼ Malta 30
37-20. Todd Sandberg- SE ¼ Prior 36
38-20. Ryan Gronholz- SW ¼ Akron 14
46-20. Prior Township- NW ¼ Prior 13
47-20. Todd Sandberg- NE ¼ Prior 35
48-20. Paul Strong- S ½ Ortonville 23. Release- Signature Obtained
49-20. Paul Strong- W ½ Big Stone 6. Release- Signature Obtained

UPCOMING EVENTS

UMRWD Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting – August 11, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.
Citizens For Big Stone Lake- Annual Meeting – August 15, 2020
UMRWD Regular Meeting – September 8, 2020 – 1:00 p.m.

Holker adjourned the meeting at 3:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Approved by,

Amber Doschadis, Administrator

Gene Meyer, Secretary