

UNAPPROVED

MORTON. COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

April 28, 2021

1. The Morton County Water Resource District met in regular session at 10am on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at the Missouri Room in the Comfort Inn 1516 27th St. NW, Mandan, ND.
2. The following persons were present: Vice Chair Jamie Wetsch, Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas, Chairman Wade Bachmeier, via Skype, Bruce Engelhardt, George Saxowsky, Jim Schmidt who left at 12pm, Karen Garvie, Carrie Schaner, MWWS, Mike Kemnitz, , Tim Nilsen, MC Parks, Tom Bair, Legal Counsel, Ron Sando, Consultant, Natalie Pearce, MC P&Z, and Andy Zachmeier, MC Commissioner.
3. Vice Chairman Wetsch called the meeting to order. Minutes: Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve the amended March 31, 2021 minutes. Mgr. Bachmeier seconded the motion. MCU.
4. MWWS: Karen reported on the following items: Monthly reports were reviewed. The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$188,848 expenditures totaling \$163,303 of the MWWS for the month of March 2021. Manager Schmidt moved to accept and place these reports in file. Manager Saxowsky seconded the motion. MCU. The Board reviewed the quarterly reports. Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve the quarterly reports. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU. Karen discussed the SWA plans on increasing water but it is in the preliminary stage. Would like to talk to them about combining more projects with them. Audit has been completed with no new issues. Reseeding on the project from last year. If it does not come up they will come back and reseed. Braun Electric wired in generators at 3 pump station locations so if power is ever lost they are ready. Western Edge subdivision: 16 lots have been completed. High Chaparral 3rd addition will begin this summer with 31 lots.
5. Jim Schmidt reported: Gov. Bergum signed the State Water Budget that includes \$60 million for rural water projects at a 75-25 cost share. Fargo Diversion funding will now come out of the Legacy funds instead of the water fund.
6. Morton County Parks: Tim Nilsen reported: Kayak launch extension is due to be installed next month. Due to low water, maybe now is the time to extend the beach area. Handicap sidewalk also may need to be extended due to low water. May just need to put a rail or sand slope to eliminate a hazard. Tom Bair will check on the legalities of this. Jamie will look for pictures and bring back to next meeting to discuss what we should do. Water is turned on at HL and Tammy is back as Campground Host. So far \$3590 brought in at HL. This is mostly reservations for the large shelter. No word from BEK on fees that will be charged for HL internet.
7. HL Breech: MC Commissioners moved and approved land use amendments on 2 &3. Zone 1 references were taken out and Natalie has created a resolution for a moratorium which will be placed on Zone 1 for a period of 2 years, just on habitable structures.
8. Harmon Lake: Inspection of the outlet pipe. Frontier Inspection put a crawler up the outlet pipe all the way to the end. There is seepage from that gate. Once the ice is totally out, they will do a pipe test to see how much water is seeping out. Posts are in and will be putting temporary

signs on the trails. An insurance claim has been submitted on replacement of the bobcat blade. Jamie received a light quote from Polaris for the UTV at \$755.90. Mgr. Bachmeier moved to approve and purchase the lights for the UTV. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion, MCU.

9. Water Drainage: Landeis property needs to make an official declaration for a water way before a determination can be made. Tom Bair will draft a letter.
10. Flasher project: Hoping to have something for the May meeting.
11. Lower Heart Water District: LHWRD is looking for a special assessment to help pay for the dyke estimated at \$10 million. Would like the MC Commission to submit \$250,000 towards the project.
12. Financial Reports: Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Bachmeier seconded the motion. MCU.

CK#	NAME:	AMOUNT:	MEMO:
1241	Bair Law Firm	\$400.00	Legal Fees
1242	Comfort Inn	\$75.00	Room Rent
1243	State Auditor	\$5,000.00	2020 Audit
1244	Workforce Safety	\$250.00	Workers Comp
1245	Wade M. Bachmeier	\$124.68	Meetings
1246	Bruce Engelhardt	\$417.53	Meetings, mileage
1247	George Saxowsky	\$124.57	Meeting
1248	James Wetsch	\$547.43	Meetings, mileage
1249	Brenda Winckler	\$960.59	Salary, equip rent
EFT	IRS	\$422.07	Payroll taxes

There being no further business, motion duly made and seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

James Wetsch, Vice Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas.