

## Morton County Water Resource District

### Unapproved Minutes

August 25, 2021

The Morton County Water Resource District held their regular meeting at 10am on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 in the Badlands Room at the Comfort Inn & Suites, 1516 27<sup>th</sup> St NW, Mandan, ND.

The following were present: Chairman Wade M. Bachmeier, Managers Jim Schmidt, Jamie Wetsch, and newly appointed Manager Mike Kemnitz, Bruce Engelhardt arrived at 11am, Karen Garvie, Carrie Schaner, MWWS, Tim Nilsen, MC Parks, Ron Sando, and Tom Bair, Legal Counsel.

1. Chairman Bachmeier called the meeting to order. Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve the July 28, 2021 minutes. Mgr Wetsch seconded the motion, MCU. Mgr. Bachmeier requested minutes be send to Legal Counsel, County Auditor and SWC.
2. MWWS: The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$333,646 and expenditures, totaling \$200,826, of the MWWS for the month of July 2021. Manager Schmidt made a motion to accept and place these reports on file. Second by Manager Wetsch. MCU. Karen reported on the following: Moving along on the AMR project. Antennas are back ordered. P taps: 5 connected and 1 pending on paperwork. Makes the number of Pasture taps: 194. MGS has decided to move their representatives to a different location, but due to Covid no public is allowed in their building. Guys have completed quarterly maintenance. Flasher tank is still in question as to what to do with it. It is an insignificant loss of water.
3. Sweetbriar Update: Mgr. Schmidt reported G&F released some water, but a landowner has permission to use water for irrigation. \$1.1 billion federal funds related to the Covid funds have been set aside for water infrastructure. A lot of interest in these including City of Bismarck and Garrison Diversion is interested to accelerate the construction of 167 mile pipeline.
4. MC Parks: Tim reported no blue green algae, water is very low. MC Parks crew leveled off the pad for the new shop on biking trail. Building has been completed. Waiting to complete the cement. Currently are re rip rapping the boat ramp at HL. \$4300 income at HL for the month, \$27,399 for the year compared to \$36,598 last year.
5. City of Mandan, Watercourse Definition: Chairman Bachmeier will continue to contact Houston Engineering, who did the paperwork for a determination if this land is a watercourse. SWC reported the site visit has been completed and paperwork is not complete.
6. Harmon Lake: A triathlon was held last week. Low water. Did some new GPS for production of a new trail app. Will need to recheck outlet pipe. The Bobcat part was not the right part. Dam #6 O&M report includes rodent control, weed control and cutting of vegetation. Mgr. Wetsch will check if MC Parks has time to do these projects.
7. Crown Butte Lagoon and SB Creek Maintenance: Ron Sando went over the projects and the EAP has not been updated and there is some maintenance work to be completed. Suggested MC

EAP come to a meeting to help redo map with new address and name changes. Ron Sando will contact Joel at MC EAP about these changes and come to a meeting. CBL has falling in the downstream area and woody vegetation on the dam. Low level draw spout is in need of repair. Mgr. Engelhardt will draft a letter to SWC to find what they can do to participate.

8. Financial Reports: Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr Wetsch seconded it. MCU.

CK#	NAME:	AMOUNT:	MEMO:
1284	Bair Law Firm	\$1400.00	Legal Fees
1285	ND Water Coalition	\$1000.00	2021 Dues
1286	Comfort Inn & Suites	\$75.00	Room rent
1287	Morton County Park	\$390.28	Light bar Action Sport
1288	Wade M. Bachmeier	\$187.01	Meetings
1289	Bruce Engelhardt	\$143.71	Meetings, mileage
1290	Michael Kemnitz	\$124.67	Meetings
1291	James Schmidt	\$267.82	Meetings, mileage
1292	James Wetsch	\$285.75	Meetings, mileage
1293	Brenda Winckler	\$100.65	Salary, equip rent Lunch reimburse
1294	DBS Contracting	\$2650.00	Cement for new building
EFT	IRS	\$383.10	Payroll taxes

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

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Wade M. Bachmeier, Chairman

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Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas.