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MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

August 30, 2023

1. The Morton County Water Resource District met in regular session at 10am on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at the Missouri West Water offices at 2816 37th St. NW, Mandan, ND.
2. The following persons were present: Chairman Wade Bachmeier, Managers, Jamie Wetsch, Bruce Engelhardt, Mike Kemnitz, Jim Schmidt, Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas, Karen Garvie, MWWS, Bryan Ziegler and Jarod Huibregtse, Bartlett & West, Andy Zachmeier, MC Commissioner, Tim Nilsen, MC Parks, Joel Rostenberg, MC EAP, and Ron Sando.
3. Chairman Bachmeier called the meeting to order. Minutes: Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve the July 26, 2023 minutes. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU.
4. MWWS: Karen reported on the following items: Monthly and quarterly reports were reviewed. The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$242,548 and expenditures totaling \$247,491 of the MWWS for the month of July 2023. Mgr. Kemnitz moved to accept and place these reports in file. Second by Manager Schmidt. MCU. Mgr. Garvie reported on the following: Met with Dave Wisdom to have an easement signed. Dave would like to be compensated for the line he installed because he assumed MWWS would be using it. MWWS are doing a parallel line and won't be using his pipe on Lyons Road because the line will be using the Crown Butte line instead of the New Salem line. NS has a PRV on it and hydraulically is not feasible. There are 2 separate pressure zones and can't match the pressure. No compensation will be given because that line will not be used by MWWS. As far as pipe by Huff, Bryan said it would not be feasible to add pipe for extra capacity to that area. Mgr. Garvie has a request to write off 3 accounts in High Chaparral Division, base fees were not paid, obligation of 5 years commitment are up on the agreement, \$815 on Acct. 1922, \$535 on Acct. 1924, and \$625 for Acct. 2074. Mgr. Kemnitz moved to write off \$1975 on Acct. # 1922, 1924, and 2074 from the books. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. Rules and Regulations state that the developer has to pay the fee, but never has been effective. Mgr. Garvie will rewrite that rule and reg removing that the developer needs to pay if delinquent and bring back to the Board. Mgr. Garvie will approve it with Tom and present to the Board. Lyons Road project, 27 easements have been mailed, 16 returned. Loan update: Due Sept 1 to State Revolving \$20,900 payment, remaining balance on that note will be \$575,000. Total loans equal \$2,646,036.70. Mgr. Garvie had a request to rent an office space in the building to the MCWRD for \$500/month. Consensus of the Board is to have Mgr. Garvie and Tom Bair draw up an agreement.
5. Morton County Parks: Tim Nilsen reported the cement pad has been poured at HL. Legs are built, rafters are being built, hope to start project after September 12th. Presented to the Board his ideas for a handicap road and parking lot by the new shelter. Tim reached out to the Flag Guy and presented costs on the project. Mgr. Kemnitz moved to purchase and install up to 2 flag poles and light and flash collar and flags at HL at the front entrance not to exceed \$2000. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. Tim received a call and HL is still under a blue alga advisory. Discussion was held if it would be a better flush from being wide open for a short period of time and closing it and leaving it open all the time at a lesser flow. Consensus of the Board is to leave open with a lesser flow. Chairman Bachmeier

will contact Chuck Mork to let him know. Mgr. Engelhardt and Wetsch and Tim will meet at HL on Sept 6th to check pipe. Revenue for HL: \$9025 for last month, \$ 29,063 for the year. This is average for the income at HL. Comm. Zachmeier presented a request for a grant to place benches and tables made out of recycled wind turbines.

6. Harmon Lake: Discussion was held concerning a gaming license for the HL Recreation Assn. Whether we do our own or ask other charitable organizations, we need to have representation to make the decision on what the funds are spent on. Chairman Bachmeier suggested Portfolio holder Zachmeier, Mgr Wetsch and Tim Nilsen to be a committee to make the decisions on where funding will be spent. More discussion will be needed.
7. Insurance Policies: NDRF from 2 mil to 10 mil for the rest of the year's policy is \$3293. This covers both MWWS and MCWRD. Mgr. Engelhardt moved to increase our liability Insurance policy from \$2 million to \$10 million and pay the increase of \$3293. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU.
8. Survey at Willow Road Drainage area; Final survey was completed to identify the corners of the drainage area.
9. MC EAP: Joel Rostenberg reported that the Manager retired and is currently looking for a new Manager. Joel is the acting Manager until a new one is appointed.
10. EAE Coordinator for MRJB: New Manager application is out and hopes to hire by October. Several meetings will be held this fall.
11. Financial Reports: Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU.

<i>Ck#</i>	<i>Name:</i>	<i>Amount:</i>	<i>Memo:</i>
1472	Wade M. Bachmeier	\$1222.44	Meetings, mileage
1473	Bruce Engelhardt	\$582.36	Meetings, mileage
1474	Michael Kemnitz	\$312.19	Meetings, mileage
1475	James Schmidt	\$196.17	Meetings, mileage
1476	James Wetsch	\$217.05	Meetings, mileage
1477	Brenda Winckler	\$316.53	Salary, equip rent, lunch
EFT	IRS	\$685.44	Payroll taxes

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

Wade M. Bachmeier, Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas.