

UNAPPROVED

MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

FEBRUARY 26, 2014

1. The Board of Managers of the Morton County Water Resource District met in regular session at 10:00 AM, CT on February 26, 2014 at its offices at 2816 37th St, Mandan, ND.
2. The following persons were present: Chairman Wade Bachmeier, and Managers, George Saxowsky, Jamie Wetsch, and James Schmidt. Also present were Mike Kemnitz, MWWS, and Tom Bair, Ron Sando, via Skype, Tim Nilsen, MC Park, Tony Goetzfried, Project Manager, Shelly Doyle and Justin Edwards, MC SCD, Lee Hetelvig and Kurt Pearson, NISHU Bowmen, Karla Meikle, 4-H Youth Director and MC Commissioner Andy Zachmeier. Vice Chairman Schmidt called the meeting to order. The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular meeting of January 22, 2014. Mgr. Saxowsky moved to approve the minutes. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MC. The Chairman requested the original minutes be filed with the secretary and that copies be sent to the County Auditor, State Water Commission, and Legal Council, Tom Bair.
3. MWWS: The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$119,336 and expenditures, totaling \$116,167 of the MWWS for the month of January 2014. Manager Saxowsky made a motion to accept and place these reports in file. Seconded by Manager Wetsch. MC. Mgr. Kemnitz reviewed the following items with the board: A Thank you note was received from the City of Flasher for the water used for the skating rink. A new dump trailer was purchased for \$6995 to replace the old trailer. Mgr. Wetsch moved and Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion to allow Mgr. Kemnitz to dispose of the replaced dump trailer at his discretion. MC. Mgr. Kemnitz accepted the bid for Kupper Chevrolet and purchased a 2014 Chev. ½ Ton pickup for a cost of \$25,928 after trade in. 2014 projects will significantly increase the MWWS workload. At this time Chairman Bachmeier arrived and resumed the chair.
4. State Historical Society: PM Goetzfried met with Claudia Berg and John to look at the cannonballs and glacial erratics. They will coordinate getting those rocks while the ground is still frozen.
5. Lower Heart: Discussion was held concerning the issue that Lower Heart WD may have to make a decision as to if they will have to have BNSF raise the trusses to be able to raise the dyke or if they can deepen the Heart River at that location.
6. MC Parks: Tim Nilsen discussed the need to change the Rules and Regulation signs at HL. NDIRF Insurance states that the sign needs a bigger font so that it is readable. Consensus of the board is to allow Tim to make changes with approval from the Park Board and MC Sheriff. A sign with the recommended age needs to be placed by the playground equipment. Tim will coordinate that. He also received a suggestion to spray the cannonballs with Thompson water sealer to help prevent cracking. Lillis Electric is still working on an electrical estimate for the camper pads. Mgr. Schmidt moved to allow Tim to contact Entzel Trucking for gravel for the pads, not to exceed \$24,000. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MC. The picnic tables have arrived and are currently being built. The ground under the blacktop south and east heading toward

the boat ramp is starting to wash out. They will watch it and do some repair this spring. There have been no issues with snowmobiles or 4 wheelers at HL this winter.

7. MC SCD: Shelly Doyle introduced the new employee at SCD, Justin Edwards, who is part of the Pheasants Forever department. She also discussed new programs available such as the Honeybee Initiative and seeding cropland back to grasses. The position of 319 Coordinator is open. O&Ms for Morton County will need to be scheduled for this spring.
8. SBC Floodway RR Crossing: Tom Bair has been in contact with BNSF personnel concerning the private crossing at SBC. The MCWRD 1983 request and application were paid to construct the crossing. They understand the importance of the crossing but it is a federal mandate to reduce crossings and they don't make the final decision. Tom will submit an application for this crossing.
9. Drainage Complaint: Since the Mandan Airport did some revamping of the runway in 2013, the pasture of Grace Uhler, who has lived there since Hwy 6 was built, floods. PM Goetzfried and Mgr. Schmidt will meet with her to check out this problem. They will also check if a storm water management plan was in place for this project.
10. Harmon Lake: Mgr. Wetsch moved to pay the Geiger Engine Repair bill. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MC. NISHU Bowmen and Karla Meikle, 4-H Youth Director were present to discuss holding an archery event at HL. They think below the dam would be an awesome location for a field course. They would mow a path, and the entrants walk to the different targets along the way. Morton County 4-H has 100 4-H kids involved in archery. They would like to host a special event in 2014. Mgr. Schmidt moved and Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion to allow NISHU Bowmen to pursue this project and prepare a plan to bring back for the board's approval. MC. Mgr. Wetsch reported that the RTP Grant was submitted and received. It will be awarded in March. The following is a list of events to be held at Harmon Lake in the summer of 2014. April 12th: ND Geo Cashers, June 15th: Epic Triathlon, June 22nd: HL Rec Day, Aug 23rd: Chris Chases Trifecta.
11. MRJB: Upon Tony Goetzfried's resignation, an alternate for MRJB is needed. Mgr. Schmidt accepted the position.
12. City of Mandan: A new subdivision off of Hwy 1806 has preliminary approval. There has been no storm water plan reviewed for this project.
13. Mgr. Saxowsky will check out a concern about water running over the road by Hebron.
14. Financial Reports: Mgr. Wetsch moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MC.

CK#	NAME:	AMOUNT:	MEMO:
5282	Morton County Highway	\$14359.62	Camper pads
5283	ND Water Res	\$475.00	2014 dues
5287	Bair Law Firm	\$825.00	Legal Fees
5288	Geiger's Small Engines	\$73.48	Equip Maintenance
5289	Missouri West Water	\$250.00	HUB Insurance for PM
5290	Wade Bachmeier	\$249.35	Meetings
5291	Tony Goetzfried	\$121.60	Proj. Mgr. Time

5292	George Saxowsky	\$187.17	Meetings/mileage
5293	James Schmidt	\$124.67	Meetings/mileage
5294	James Wetsch	\$124.67	Meetings
5295	Brenda Winckler	\$872.20	Salary, equip rent Lunch reimbursement
EFT	IRS	\$279.46	Payroll taxes
1035CBL	Bank of ND	\$1980.00	CB Lagoon interest and Administrative Fee

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

Wade M. Bachmeier, Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas.