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MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

July 26, 2023

1. The Morton County Water Resource District met in regular session at 10am on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, at the Missouri West Water offices at 2816 37<sup>th</sup> 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, Bartlett & West, Tim Nilsen, MC Parks, Tom Bair, Brian Houle, DEQ, Andy Zachmeier, MC Commission, Tim Nilsen, MC Parks, and Ron Sando.
3. Chairman Bachmeier called the meeting to order. Minutes: Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve the June 28, 2023 minutes. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU. Publishing minutes: New house bill 1391 states Water Board to publish their unapproved minutes within 10 days. It should be published on the County Website as a draft.
4. MWWS: Karen reported on the following items: Monthly and quarterly reports were reviewed. The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$300,083 and expenditures totaling \$364,634 of the MWWS for the month of June 2023. Mgr. Kemnitz moved to accept and place these reports in file. Second by Manager Wetsch. MCU. McGuire Iron cleaned Flasher tank, inspected CB tank, and did visual inspection at the airport tank, with some cleanup to be completed at the Airport location. This will end the 5 year contract with McGuire. Mgr. Garvie feels the work done by them was adequate but would like to check if the last payment can be held until work is completed. Tank information: would like to put a mixer in the airport tank and recommends purchase and installation of a mixer in that tank. Installed estimate: \$18,532 from Ixom Water Care plus electric. Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve and allow Manager to purchase and install mixer in the Airport tank. Mgr. Kemnitz seconded the motion. MCU. Contract for Master Agreement for Professional Services with Bartlett & West. Tom Bair reviewed the contract. It is fairly standard. Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve the Master Agreement Contract with Bartlett and West and authorize Mgr. Garvie to sign the document. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. Task Order was also included in the Master Agreement from Bartlett & West. Tom Bair reviewed Task order #317. Mgr. Wetsch moved to approve the Task Order 317 for the South Mandan Expansion project. Mgr Kemnitz seconded the motion. MCU. Contractor contacted Bryan to set up date to meet and will be ready to start work this fall. Mgr. Garvie placed the proposal for the Mandan Industrial Park 13<sup>th</sup> Addition in Dropbox just for Board information. Tom Bair has found a few discrepancies that need to be addressed. Honey Hills Estate will be presented at the P&Z on July 27<sup>th</sup>. Tom Bair researched insurance for MCWRD Board Members regarding liability and policies under NDIRF. Board Members are covered individually, rolled into 1 policy. Liability policy is 1 master policy under HUB International for both MWWS and MCWRD. Currently at \$2 million per year and Bair suggests increasing to at least \$5 million. Mgr. Kemnitz moved to request to increase insurance to the \$10 million aggregate. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU. WSI covers all employees and the Board. Casualty insurance is appropriate. As to splitting of the bill, Mgr. Garvie and Sec. Winckler will go thru and present the split at the next meeting.

5. Morton County Parks: Tim reported: Currently has a meeting with cement contractor to pour the new shelter cement. Under advisory for blue algae at HL. Still working on the beach expansion. John Warren called with concerns of grass at HL along side his property. No mowing is being done where the nursery is located and Parks won't do mowing unless trees are being removed and if there is expansion being done where dirt is needed. Fence needs repair; plan to do later in fall. Tim spoke at District meeting at Dickinson. Last month \$9025 at HL, up to \$24, 093 for the season. Chairman Bachmeier received a call from Gene Mork Brettison, to give a donation to HL for trees in memory of her husband. Tim will contact her. Also inquired about the Mork Family donating to the multi purpose building. A building at HL is not our intention to compete and would not require a lot of management and would follow the same hours as the camp ground. Chairman Bachmeier asked if HL Rec could qualify for a gaming license. Tom Bair will do some checking. Andy Zachmeier discussed the idea of having flag poles at HL to be raised as long as the campground is open. The Flag Pole Guy has a location in Mandan. Tim will check on this.
6. Willow Road Drainage: Drainage is on the west side of Willow Road. Homeowners on the east side have had massive erosion, would like to place a pile of rocks on the easement land to be used and distributed by the homeowners. Don't know who has authority of this easement. Tom Bair will check on who owns the authority and get back to the Board. Consensus of the Board is to allow Chairman to get an estimate to survey that land to see where the boundaries are. Tom will check to get pins on this land.
7. ND Water Users Meeting: Mgr. Engelhardt attended the meeting. Suggested MR Joint Water Board Members Bachmeier and Royce do an EAE report at the next meeting. Hoping to get a new coordinator by November 1.
8. Financial Reports: Budget was presented and approved to MC Commission by Chairman Bachmeier Mgr. Wetsch moved to authorize Sec Winckler to purchase the Microsoft Office Suite program. Mgr. Kemnitz seconded the motion. MCU. Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU.

<b><i>CK#</i></b>	<b><i>NAME:</i></b>	<b><i>AMOUNT:</i></b>	<b><i>MEMO</i></b>
1464	Bruce Engelhardt	\$284.56	Meetings, mileage
1465	Michael Kemnitz	\$318.08	Meetings, mileage
1466	James Schmidt	\$196.16	Meetings, mileage
1467	James Wetsch	\$309.57	Meetings, mileage
1468	Brenda Winckler	\$1313.53	Salary, equipment rent
1469	Wade M. Bachmeier	\$436.35	Meetings
EFT	IRS	\$609.20	Payroll taxes
1470	Bair Law Firm	\$750.00	Legal Fees
1471	Ternes Outdoor Service	\$3294.15	Spraying at HL

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

