

UNAPPROVED

MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

JUNE 30, 2021

1. The Morton County water Resource District met in regular session at 10am on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at the Missouri Room in the Comfort Inn, 1516 27th St. NW, Mandan, ND
2. The following persons were present: Chairman Wade Bachmeier, Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas., Managers Jamie Wetsch, Jim Schmidt, Bruce Engelhardt, and George Saxowsky. Also, present were Karen Garvie, Carrie Schaner, MWWS, Mike Kemnitz, Tim Nilsen, MC Parks, Ron Sando, Tom Bair, Legal Counsel, Mike Gunsch, and Stuart Merritt, Flasher.
3. Chairman Bachmeier called the meeting to order. Minutes: Mgr. Saxowsky moved to approve the amended May 26, 2021 minutes. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU. Chairman Bachmeier requested the original minutes be filed with the secretary and that a copy be sent to the County Auditor, State Water Commission, and with Legal Counsel, Tom Bair.
4. MWWS: The Board reviewed the income totaling \$346,974 and expenditures totaling \$214,865 for the month of May 2021. Mgr. Saxowsky moved to accept and place these reports in file. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. Karen reported on the following items: Mgr. Wetsch moved to write off Acct. #548 for \$280.00. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. There have been 1740 base fees paid in 2021 compared to 1583 last year. System updates: The crew have installed 2 pasture taps with 1 more waiting. MWWS is continuing to stay under the 30-mil gallon contract of water and SWA 40 mil gal/year contract. Operators are balancing this very well. The Hi Chaparral subdivision phase is finished. The Flasher Booster was rehabbed. PVC pressure was reaching its limit and blew out the gasket. Replaced it with a stainless-steel gasket at a cost of \$7377. New upcoming project is Gustin PRV, estimated cost at \$10,000. Mor Gran Sou will be holding its annual meeting. Mgr. Schmidt moved to allow Karen Garvie to vote in behalf of MWWS. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU. Carrie has sent letters to Routes 10 & 11 to schedule appointments to install the new meters. 179 meters have been installed. 153 letters have been sent out with 40 remaining. Meters are scheduled to arrive in September. MWWS Manager position has been advertised. Tom Bair suggests satisfying legal procedures to interview

the top 2 in the rankings. Mgr. Engelhardt moved to go into executive Session to discuss the relative merits of the candidates and the hiring process for the GM of MWWS. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. The Board returned to the regular meeting. Mgr. Saxowsky moved to do an initial interview with the top 2-point ranking applicants. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Schmidt: Yes, Engelhardt: Yes, Saxowsky: Yes, Wetsch: Yes, Bachmeier: No. MC. Each Board Member and Sec. Winckler will submit up to 5 questions to Tom Bair by Friday, July 2nd, at 5 pm. Chairman Bachmeier and Tom will compile and make a list of questions to be asked the applicants. A Go to Meeting will be set up for the interviews.

5. MC Parks: Tim Nilsen reported that the Shelter #1 has a standing water issue. He will have someone come and determine what can be done to solve the problem. Gravel work needs to be done on the 2 group pads. So far thru June revenue at HL is \$9240 and for the season \$15,990, compared to last year at \$17,330. There is no blue green algae problem as of this date. Spurge bugs have been released at HL. The material has been ordered for the shop at HL. Mgr. Wetsch reported he is still waiting on some parts to install the lights on the UTV.
6. Watershed Assessment: Mike Gunsch reported SWC has finished the PMP study with an itemized guidance but could take 2 years to complete it. Mike shared the report with the Board.
7. Flasher Investigation Report: Stuart Merritt was present to discuss the Flasher Investigation Report. The cost estimate to upgrade culverts and ditch work to get the water to move from 1 culvert to the next is \$74,823. If the City or MC Highway could do the dirt work, possibly MCWRD would pay for the culverts. The Board suggested that Jesse Kist, make the final report and meet with the City of Flasher and MC Highway at their meeting on July 14th to see if they can do any in kind work for this project. Chairman Bachmeier will let Jess know to finalize the project.
8. 2022 Budget: The 2022 Budget was reviewed. Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve and submit the 2022 MCWRD Budget to the MC Commissioners. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU.
9. Financials: Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU.

<i>CK#</i>	<i>NAME:</i>	<i>AMOUNT:</i>	<i>MEMO:</i>
1259	Bair Law Firm	\$1750.00	Legal Fees
1260	Comfort Inn	\$75.00	Room Rent
1261	Houston Engineering	\$2245.25	HL Inundation
1262	VOID		
1263	MC Weed Board	\$348.00	Spray for HL
1264	Wade Bachmeier	\$311.68	Meetings
1265	Bruce Engelhardt	\$419.77	Meetings, mileage
1266	George Saxowsky	\$133.07	Meetings, mileage
1267	James Schmidt	\$143.15	Meetings, mileage
1268	James Wetsch	\$1292.12	Meetings, mileage Reimbursement
1269	Brenda Winckler	\$1049.82	Salary, equip rent, Lunch reimburse

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

Wade M. Bachmeier, Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas