

UNAPPROVED

MARCH 27, 2019

MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

1. The Board of Managers of the Morton County Water Resource District met in Regular Session at 10 AM on March 27, 2019 at the Missouri Room in the Comfort Inn, 1516 27th St. North, Mandan, ND.
2. The following persons were present: Vice Chairman James Wetsch, Secretary Brenda Winckler, and Managers, Bruce Engelhardt, Jim Schmidt and George Saxowsky. Also present were Tony Goetzfried, Tim Nilsen, Mike Kemnitz, Craig Keidel, Hunter Schlosser, Dusty Hadley, Carrie Schaner and Karen Brooks, MWWS, Tom Bair, Ron Sando, via skype, Natalie Pierce, MC P&Z, Andy Zachmeier, MC Commissioner, and Preston Debele and Bryan Ziegler, Bartlett & West.
3. Vice Chairman Wetsch called the meeting to order. Minutes: Manager Saxowsky moved to approve the amended minutes from February 27, 2019. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MCU. The V. Chairman requested the original minutes to be filed with the secretary and that a copy be sent to the County Auditor, State Water Commission, and Legal Counsel, Tom Bair.
4. MWWS: The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$126,446 and expenditures totaling \$140,459, of the MWWS for the month of February 2019. Mgr. Engelhardt made a motion to accept and place these reports in file. Seconded by Mgr. Saxowsky. MCU. Manager Kemnitz reported on the following items. Preston Debele and Bryan Ziegler, Bartlett & West, presented the initial report requested by MWWS designed to show undeveloped areas for water supply in Morton County. This will be used as a tool for the preparation of the 10-year guideline Bryan will use to finalize his report for addition to the MWWS water system. It includes the 911 address database. This can be shared and edited by Bartlett & West and MWWS. Total dwellings on MWWS shows 1,609 addresses being served and 581 addresses not served. Mgr. Kemnitz met with all 5 County Commissioner to explain the MWWS 5-year plan, including %s of debt. Craig reported a leak was fixed west of New Salem. Mgr. Kemnitz also reported to the Board that he will be retiring from MWWS on June 30, 2019 after 27 years with MWWS. He is very pleased and confident in the staff of MWWS and urges Board not to rush into making any decisions on future Manager.
5. SWC: Mgr. Schmidt informed the Board of State water projects being discussed.
 - A: \$395 million for Flood control, rural water, general and capital assets. (SWA & NOS)
 - B: \$40 million for Mandan's new intake project
 - C: \$30 million for Rural water for Benedict
 - D: \$67.5 million for Minot

E: \$14 million for reservoir for Bottineau, Mohall, West Hope, Lansford.

6. Morton County Parks: Tim Nilsen presented his report to the Board. The MC Park survey results brought in 503 comments. Of those, 88% were Morton County and 55% were from the Mandan city limits. Results are as follows:
 - 1: Desire landscape parks
 - 2: Multi use paved paths
 - 3: Hiking trails
 - 4: Playground equipment
 - 5: Safe connection from Hwy 1806 path to HL Path

There will be a public forum to be held at Hebron on May 21st 6-7 pm, and at the Eagles Park in Mandan on May 20th 5:30-7pm to discuss the survey results. Tim also reported that the Friends of the Rail Bridge 's final report is 75% complete. Estimate is \$4.58 million to convert to a pedestrian bridge, along with annual maintenance of \$65,000. The Day of Caring for Doosan employees will be held at HL on May 1st. Tim will submit an RFP grant application for the parking lot erosion repair project.

7. MC Projects: Tony Goetzfried reported that thru the high waters, the Zachmeier drainage took water as fast as it came and worked great. Willow Road had issues due to county and property owners pushing the snow and covering the culvert which froze causing the water to spread and take out a portion of a home owners road. The City of Mandan came with their steam truck and opened the culvert. Otter Creek and SB Creek were frozen, so water covered parts of the fields. The water came from under the RR bridge and not from HL. Otter Creek is now open. Kevin Banning, Flasher has agreed to cut and remove the trees in the oxbow area at Flasher. Paula Kvernum would like to do the O&Ms for Morton County in May.
8. Harmon Lake: The next leg of trail has received the approval and the goal is to start setting up the paperwork to do the bidding. Documents have been signed and returned. Opening of bids will be in the beginning of May for the 4 ½ mile and 2 ½ mile sections of the new bike trail. V. Chair Wetsch stated that some sections of the new trail may have to be hand built. The Board also discussed including Disc golf at HL.
9. Financial Reports: Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MC.

<u>CK#</u>	<u>NAME:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>	<u>MEMO</u>
5924	Bair Law Firm	\$500.00	Legal Fees
5925	Comfort Inn	\$75.00	Room Rent
5926	Schlosser Excavating	\$880.00	Willow Road Repair
5927	Bruce Engelhardt	\$141.68	Meetings, mileage

5928	Tony Goetzfried	\$413.77	Payroll, supplies, Mileage
5929	George Saxowsky	\$187.18	Meetings, mileage
5930	James Wetsch	\$216.34	Meetings, mileage
59314	Brenda Winckler	\$1051.75	Salary, equip rent, Lunch reimbursed
EFT	IRS	\$363.10	Payroll taxes

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

James Wetsch, Vice Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas.