

Unapproved
Morton County Water Resource District
March 27, 2024

1. The Morton County Water Resource District met in regular session at 10am on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at the Missouri West Water offices at 2816 37t St. NW, Mandan, ND.

2. The following persons were present: Vice Chairman Jamie Wetsch, Managers: Wade Bachmeier via skype, Bruce Engelhardt, James Schmidt, Todd Norton, Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas., Karin Garvie, Craig Keidel, MWWS, Bryan Ziegler, Bartlett & West, Tim Nilsen, MC Parks, and Tom Bair.

3. Vice Chairman Wetsch called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance. Minutes: Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve the February 27, 2024 minutes. Mgr. Norton seconded the motion. MCU.

4. MWWS: Financials were reviewed. The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$548,926 and expenditures totaling \$665,826 of the MWWS for the month of February 2024. Manager Schmidt made a motion to accept and place these reports in file. Second by Mgr. Engelhardt. MCU. Mgr. Garvie reviewed the following with the Board: Bullet hole in Flasher tank, employees did a temporary plug repair on the tank. MWWS has been talking with Great Plains Structures out of Minneapolis to do a rust and patch repair on this tank. Continued to work with BNSF for insurance and permits and Mgr. Garvie is working on getting MWWS own insurance to be separate for each accounts, MWWS and MCWRD. Has one contact that would like to add on in the Fort Rice area. Has an unused curb stop but there is no dynamic pressure and has no water assigned to it. Carstensen Construction is waiting to start project. They are onsite at a SWA project they are finishing and then will be ready to go on the MWWS project. Estimating project will begin before our next meeting in April. MWWS and MCWRD is busy with Auditors and prepping paperwork for them.

5. Pat W. River Lots: Chairman Bachmeier discussed the possible 10.98 acre land purchase along the Missouri riverfront with 957 linear feet of riverfront. It shows an access easement for road on the side. Wachters have agreed to give the MCWRD 60 days to purchase before it goes to the public. Discussion on what exactly the Board would use this land for and how it is zoned and is it a good use for tax payers' funds. Consensus of the Board is to discuss with the MC Commissioner who holds the MCWRD portfolio and other public entities before any decisions are made.

6. Morton County Parks: Tim Nilsen reviewed the following with the Board. Received a phone call regarding shutting down HL. Tim explained it was due to the poor ice conditions and muddy conditions. Secondary spillway has some deep ruts. We are protecting the public. Mgr. Schmidt got paperwork from NRCS in respect to the outlet. They have no survey books. You can clean out the channel but cannot dredge without a permit. We can choose our own engineer to tell us what needs to be done. There is too much water in the plunge pool causing the toe drain not to function correctly. There is a beaver dam between the highway and the railroad, that if it is possible to get rid of the dam and clear the cattails, it may help with the water flow. Chairman Bachmeier will contact the landowners to see if we can remove the dam. After checking HL, VC recommends keeping the outlet open until the inflow quits running over.

7. 501C3: Tom Bair talked about the long range plans for HL recreation facility was to build a day use building for events. Chairman Bachmeier suggested setting up a non profit site for charitable gaming for recreation dollars for Morton County Projects and obtain a gaming license to use the funds to do so. We

currently have a 501C3 at the Community Foundation but it is not a non profit organization. Consensus of the Board is to have Chairman Bachmeier continue to pursue this venture as a non profit 501C3.

8. Insurance: We currently don't have 1st party cyber security coverage and Tom is checking on that.

9. Financial Reports: Mgr. Engelhardt moved to take Mgr. Kemnitz off and add Mgr. Norton to the signature cards at Dakota Community Bank and Starion Bank. Mgr. Bachmeier seconded the motion. MC. Mgr. Norton moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Engelhardt seconded the motion. MC.

CK#	NAME:	AMOUNT:	MEMO:
1531	Wade M. Bachmeier	\$362.18	Meetings
1532	Bruce Engelhardt	\$196.82	Meetings, mileage
1533	Todd Norton	\$208.60	Meetings, mileage
1534	James E Schmidt	\$522.81	Meetings, mileage
1535	James Wetsch	\$124.55	Meetings
1536	Brenda Winckler	\$1309.53	Salary, equipment rent
EFT	IRS	\$659.94	Payroll taxes

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

James E Wetsch, Vice Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas.