

UNAPPROVED

MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

October 31, 2018

1. The Board of Managers of the Morton County Water Resource District met in Regular Session at 10 AM on October 31, 2018 at the NISC Building, 3201 Nygren Dr NW, Mandan, ND.
2. The following persons were present: Chairman Wade Bachmeier, Secretary Brenda Winckler, and Managers, Jim Schmidt, Jamie Wetsch, and George Saxowsky. Also present were Tony Goetzfried, Tim Nilsen, Mike Kemnitz, Craig Keidel, Carrie Schaner, and Karen Brooks, MWWS, Tom Bair, Ron Sando, via Skype, Andy Zachmeier, MC Commission, Natalie Pierce, MC P&Z, Bruce Engelhardt, and Mike Gunsch, Houston Engineering.
3. Chairman Bachmeier called the meeting to order. Minutes: Manager Schmidt moved to approve the amended minutes from September 26, 2018. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU. The 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: Manager Kemnitz gave the following reports: The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$178,999 and expenditures totaling \$147,222 of the MWWS for the month of September 2018. Manager Schmidt made a motion to accept and place these reports in file. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU. Quarterly reports were reviewed. Mgr. Wetsch moved to accept the quarterly reports. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. Craig was recognized for being with MWWS for 20 years. Craig reported that losses are down and a few items have been fixed. Mgr. Kemnitz discussed the following with the Board: The City of Mandan has reported that the new water intake will cost approximately \$15 million. Cost share will be 60% Federal, 20% refinery and the other 20% local. Discussion was held on a new building and expansion for MWWS. The pasture taps will be read and recorded in November. There are currently 189 pasture taps, and 1959 residential accounts. There are 20 lots north of HL that still have not signed up for water. B&L Construction has prepared a contract for refurbishing of the tanks at a cost of \$500,000 over a period of 5 years. Engineering fee from Bartlett & West will be \$100,000. 3 tanks need to be refurbished. They will do 1 tank per year inside and out. There is a 20 year life expectancy. They will also install 2 mixers to move water and help with maintenance. Mgr. Saxowsky moved to authorize Mgr. Kemnitz to enter into the B&L contract for Construction Oversight. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU. Mgr. Kemnitz will also get an estimate on painting MWWS on the outside of the Crown Butte Tank. Discussion was held on the Contract User Price. Mgr. Kemnitz would like to adjust the cost based on the CPI increase from 1991-2018. Current price is \$19/gal/month and would like to adjust it to \$36/gal/month. Mgr. Schmidt moved to raise the fee for new contract users subsequent to

2000 to \$36/gal/month. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU. Dave Wisdom has requested water to a part of land where he would like to build a new home. Bartlett & West's study showed we could not get capacity to it. B&W said the study would cost \$1300 and will need a line extension. Dave Wisdom is willing to pay for both the study and the line extension. Mgr. Schmidt moved to have the study completed by B&W for Dave Wisdom's location at his expense. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU.

5. Almont Bridge: Sauber Engineering requested access to the entry on the west side of the road for replacing the Almont Bridge. That land belongs to MCWRD. Paperwork will be reviewed by Tom Bair before approval by the Board. Mgr. Saxowsky moved to approve and sign the memorandum agreement, notification & appraisal waiver contingent on retaining easement access, rights on the land being sold, upstream stage should not be increased, and the area under temporary construction be returned to preconstruction stage or better. Mgr. Schmidt 2nd the motion. MCU.
6. Morton County Parks: Tim Nilsen reported the deadline for the next Outdoor Heritage Grant will be in May 2019. The nursery area at HL and tree rows at the White Tail lot has been prepared for spring planting in 2019. Harmon Lake 2018 brought in \$42,921 compared to 2018: 44,156. Tammy's last day of work was Oct. 31st. Power will be turned off after deer season. Tim will check with Paddle On regarding moving their equipment. Bobcat's Day of Caring will take place next spring. Tony Goetzfried reported he would like black dirt placed in the washed out areas and planted with grass. This will take place next spring. Tim and Tony will coordinate with MC Highway concerning stock piling dirt at the locations that need to be fixed. Also, the NW side of HL needs new fence. The old fence will need to be removed and make sure fence is on our land.
7. Harmon Lake Breach Zone: Mike Gunsch, Houston Engineering, present the Breach Zone Determination & Consequence Evaluation. Mgr. Schmidt suggested setting up a meeting with the State Engineer to approve where we are headed before we proceed with the \$30,000 study. He suggested a separate page on what the criteria is that the Board is looking at, and follow up with the compliance memorandum. A line needs to be drawn as to where there will be no further building. Mgr. Schmidt moved to submit a letter to the State Engineer including criteria that must be met and set up meeting date for discussion before proceeding with the model. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded it. MCU. Mike Gunsch will develop the letter and criteria and send to Board members and Ron & Bruce Engelhardt.
8. Harmon Lake: Ron recommended if repair is done to the stock dam this fall to make sure to take frost off ground before compaction and remove the trees. Mgr. Wetsch has the bid packet for the next leg of the bike trail completed. He would like to start the bidding process this fall if allowed. Tom Bair will look at it.
9. Flasher Flood control: Mgr. Schmidt will contact Mary Podell regarding the letter sent that has never been answered.

10. Water buyer beware: MC Commissioner Andy Zachmeier discussed his concern with drilling wells and the water supply and would like to institute a rule into P&Z that on a multi subdivision there must be access to a water system or have a potable drinkable water supply,

11. Financial Reports: Mgr. Schmidt moved and Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion to approve and pay the following vouchers. MCU.

| <u>CK#</u> | <u>NAME:</u> | <u>AMOUNT:</u> | <u>MEMO:</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 5869 | Bair Law Firm | \$857.41 | Legal Fees |
| 5870 | Houston Engineering | \$4662.75 | HL Breech |
| 5871 | Ronald Sando | \$577.50 | Consultant Fees |
| 5872 | Starion Financial | \$12860.13 | SBC Loan Payment |
| 5873 | ND Community Found | \$1200.00 | Central Dak trail work |
| 5874 | Wade Bachmeier | \$561.03 | Meetings |
| 5875 | Ray Christensen | \$174.68 | Meetings, mileage |
| 5876 | Tony Goetzfried | \$55.41 | Meeting |
| 5877 | George Saxowsky | \$187.17 | Meetings, mileage |
| 5878 | James Schmidt | \$219.51 | Meetings, mileage |
| 5879 | James Wetsch | \$1182.56 | Meetings, mileage Reimbursements |
| 5880 | Brenda Winckler | \$953.58 | Salary, equip rent |
| EFT | IRS | \$479.86 | Payroll taxes |

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

Wade M. Bachmeier, Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas