

UNAPPROVED

MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

SEPTEMBER 24, 2014

1. The Board of Managers of the Morton County Water Resource District met in Regular Session at 10 AM on September 24, 2014 at the MWWS offices at 2816 37<sup>th</sup> St NW, Mandan, ND.
2. The following persons were present: Chairman Wade Bachmeier, Secretary Brenda Winckler, and Managers, Jamie Wetsch, James Schmidt, George Saxowsky, and Ray Christianson. Also present were Mike Kemnitz, Karen Brooks, MWWS, Brian Ziegler, Bartlett & West, Tony Goetzfried, Tom Bair, Legal Counsel, Ron Sando, and Tim Nilsen, MC Parks.
3. Vice Chair Schmidt called the meeting to order.
4. Minutes: Manager Wetsch moved to approve the amended August 27, 2014 minutes and the special meeting minutes from September 4, 2014. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MC. The Chairman requested the original minutes to be filed with the secretary and that copy to be sent to the County Auditor, State Water Commission, and Legal Council, Tom Bair.
5. MWWS: The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$145,075 and expenditures, totaling \$136,533, of the MWWS for the month of August 2014. Manager Saxowsky made a motion to accept and place these reports in file. Seconded by Manager Wetsch. MC. Mgr. Kemnitz reviewed with the board the leak rate that MWWS has. If the customer can prove they fixed the leak and it stops, they will review the bill and adjust it to cover cost of water and overhead for the water. The High Chaparral project will not begin construction until 2015. Brian Ziegler reported that Schedule 2 and 1B projects have been pressure tested. The Interstate bore has been completed and Merryman Construction anticipates adding a 2<sup>nd</sup> crew to do the 1C project (Highway 1806) with an anticipated start date of October 6th. The first pay estimate will be \$483,000. There have been 23 new install requests since this project started. Chairman Bachmeier arrived at this time and took the chair. SWC has approved a change of order for the SWWA and MWWS hookup on Hwy 25 by the Oliver County Line. Discussion will continue on gal/min details in the contract. Mgr. Christiansen moved to allow Mgr. Kemnitz to work with SWWA to come up with a contract acceptable to both parties. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MC.
6. MC Parks: Tim Nilsen reported that Harmon Lake took in \$400 the weekend of Sept 20<sup>th</sup>. The Boy Scouts Campbree brought in about 225 Boy Scouts that weekend. For September HL has brought in \$3375 and \$15,988 for the season. This includes 424 primitive camping and 898 electric hookups. Consensus of the board is for Tim to determine when it is best to shut off water and electricity at HL. The Board also decided to switch the electricity bill at HL to the Parks at the end of the December billing. Tim reported there is a spot at HL that has become a slough and needs to be drained to eliminate it from becoming a mosquito area. He will work on cleaning that up. Discussion was held on reservations for camping pads. MC Park now states that you need a camper or tent to reserve it. Consensus of the Board is to run HL with the same policy as is with the other parks. There has been some discussion held concerning the feasibility of opening up a public access around Square Butte Creek on an E-W section line to gain access to the Missouri River. Tim will keep us updated. MC Parks received a grant for \$187,000 to do rip rap at Grainer Parks from the Outdoor Heritage Fund.
7. Harmon Lake: The Board discussed the day use building and possibly the addition of more camper pads. Ron Sando will do some research into applying for a grant for additional 20

camper pads through the Outdoor Heritage Fund. Deadline is November 1<sup>st</sup>. Bids were received for the extension of the Hiking Biking Trail. The bid from Blue Sky was approved by the State Parks. Mgr. Wetsch moved to ratify the contract between MCWRD and Blue Sky and State Parks. Mgr. Christiansen seconded the motion. MC. Blue Sky, weather permitting, expects to complete 1 mile per week.

8. Financial Reports: Mgr. Saxowsky moved to approve the proposed 2015 Budget for MCWRD. Mgr. Christiansen seconded the motion. MC. Mgr. Saxowsky moved and Mgr. Christiansen seconded the motion to approve and pay the following vouchers. MC.

| <b>CK#</b> | <b>NAME:</b>         | <b>AMOUNT:</b> | <b>MEMO:</b>                |
|------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| 5364       | Bair Law Firm        | \$2500.00      | Legal Fees                  |
| 5365       | Bismarck Tribune     | \$682.56       | Adv for Bids for Trail      |
| 5366       | CS Doors Inc         | \$419.00       | Door Opener for Maint. Bldg |
| 5367       | US Geological Survey | \$1250.00      | Annual Billing              |
| 5368       | Raymond Christianson | \$349.35       | Meetings, mileage           |
| 5370       | Anthony Goetzfried   | \$157.00       | Project Mgr. Payment        |
| 5371       | George Saxowsky      | \$456.84       | Meetings, mileage           |
| 5372       | James Schmidt        | \$274.34       | Meetings, mileage           |
| 5373       | James Wetsch         | \$561.03       | Meetings, mileage           |
| 5374       | Brenda Winckler      | \$862.77       | Salary, equip rent, lunch   |
| 5375       | Wade Bachmeier       | \$436.35       | Meetings                    |
| EFT        | IRS                  | \$494.36       | Payroll taxes               |

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

