

Morton County Water Resource District
Unapproved Minutes
September 28, 2022

1. The Morton County Water Resource District held their regular meeting at 10am on Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at the office of the MWWS, 2816 37th St. NW, Mandan, ND.
2. The following were present: Chairman Wade Bachmeier, Sec-Treas. Brenda Winckler, Managers: Bruce Engelhardt, Mike Kemnitz, Jamie Wetsch, Jim Schmidt, Karin Garvie, MWWS, Bryan Ziegler, Bartlett & West, Natalie Pearce, MC P&Z, Ron Sando, Consultant, Andy Zachmeier, MC Commission, George Saxowsky, Jesse Kist, MC P&Z.
3. Chairman Bachmeier called the meeting to order. Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve the amended minutes from August 31, 2022. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU. Mgr. Bachmeier requested the minutes be sent to Legal Counsel, County Auditor and SWC.
4. MWWS: The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$ 239,911, and expenditures, \$233,685 for the MWWS for the month of August. Manager Kemnitz made a motion to accept and place these reports in file. Second by Manager Schmidt. MCU. Natalie Pearce was present to discuss the replatting of the lots owned by 4 owners to clean up the vacated areas. Hoping to have a November application date. Cost share for the replatting would be about \$4000. Consensus of the Board is to proceed with the vacating of the land and pay the cost split between the 4 owners. Mgr. Garvie received a letter from the City of Mandan for a rate increase from \$1.89 to \$1.96 per thousand effective January 1. Mgr. Engelhardt also reported that the SWWA water has had discussion about a price increase going up according to the consumer price index, which currently is 8.6%, which the rate will be approved at their December meeting. Gary and Karen did a walk thru the office building concerning what stays and what goes when they move to their other building. Future plans per Karen will wait until next year. Payment of the building will be through the reserve fund. Karen reported the lawnmower that was purchased in June will be arriving next week. AMRs, changed out 41 meters since the last meeting. ¼ of the job completed. Bryan Ziegler drove the roads at Lyons Road and once he finished the design he will have the archeologists walk the project. Met with the Vogel family with concerns about the easements on their property and water pressure. Bryan will get a map of their land to show where the pipes will be placed. Shawn from State Parks requested the information on the Fort Lincoln campground project. Karen has been working on getting easements for the USDA project which is run by Roughrider Industries who denied the request due to the native grasses not returning. After visiting with Mgr. Schmidt, the paperwork came to Karen signed and they can proceed. Bryan received cost estimates for generators. Have not heard back from them. Is still looking for additional funding opportunities. Karen is working with Computer 1 regarding the switching of the video audio system. Mgr. Schmidt reported on the Water Topics meeting. 11.3 Million dollars have been put in for the Mandan dyke flood project, discussion on CO2 for the water plants. Gov. Bergum is leaning on taking away the buckets in the SW funding. Upper Missouri water conference will be held on October 17th at Deadwood, SD.
5. MC Parks: Took 20 inches off of the bottom of HL. The water looked pretty good when they closed it. \$5,910 for the month of August. \$32,690 for the year which is \$2200 more than last

year. HL went under blue green algae warning in August. Paddle On has closed for the year. Bales have been removed from HL.

6. MC Table Top: Ron & Joel suggested doing the table top exercise for EAP at the February 22nd meeting and inviting several Counties to participate.
7. Chairman Bachmeier left the meeting. VC Wetsch continued the meeting.
8. HL Dam Breach Moratorium: HL building moratorium is set to end in April 2023. Jesse Kist reported that he would like MCWRD to start this so it can be completed by April 2023. The current permit restrictions will stay in effect, so building in that inundation zone will be subject to the new remapping. Mgr. Engelhardt suggests drafting a letter to DWR to conclude that the current moratorium become permanent and stays with its current conditions. Mgr. Engelhardt will draft a letter pertaining to this and if they would pay for the study and send to Tom, Jesse, and the Board for final approval. Discussion was held concerning the final mapping to use the current PMF data.
9. Next Meeting Date: There will be no meeting in October; next meeting date will be Wednesday, November 30th.
10. Financial Reports: Mgr. Engelhardt moved to approve and Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion to approve and pay the following vouchers.

<u>CK#:</u>	<u>Name:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>	<u>Memo:</u>
1392	Wade M. Bachmeier	\$785.44	Meetings
1393	Bruce Engelhardt	\$681.82	Meetings, mileage
1394	Michael Kemnitz	\$325.97	Meetings, mileage
1395	James Schmidt	\$723.25	Meetings, mileage
1396	James Wetsch	\$308.04	Meetings, mileage
1397	Brenda Winckler	\$1396.61	Salary, equip rent Postage, lunch reimburs
1398	Bair Law Firm	\$2270.00	Legal Fees
1399	Office of the State Auditor	\$7500.00	2021 Audit

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

Wade M. Bachmeier, Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas