

UNAPPROVED

MORTON COUNTY WATER RESOURCE DISTRICT

August 30, 2017

1. The Board of Managers of the Morton County Water Resource District met in Regular Session at 10 AM on August 30, 2017 at the Missouri West Water offices at 2816 37th St NW, Mandan, ND.
2. The following persons were present: Chairman Wade Bachmeier, Secretary Brenda Winckler, and Managers, Jamie Wetsch, Ray Christensen, Jim Schmidt and George Saxowsky. Also present were Tony Goetzfried, Tim Nilsen, Mike Kemnitz, and Karen Brooks, MWWS, Tom Bair, Natalie Pierce, MC P&Z, Michelle Doyle, NRCS, Mike Gunsch and Travis Johnson, Houston Engineering, and Andy Zachmeier, MC Commissioner.
3. Chairman Bachmeier called the meeting to order. Minutes: Manager Schmidt moved to approve the regular minutes from July 26, 2017 Mgr. Wetsch 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 Counsel, Tom Bair.
4. MWWS: Manager Kemnitz gave the following reports: The Board reviewed the income, totaling \$249,618 and expenditures totaling \$169,866 of the MWWS for the month of July 2017. Manager Schmidt made a motion to accept and place these reports in file. Mgr. Christensen seconded the motion. MCU. The next phase of the system upgrade may include the following: Segment 1: Add an additional 6 inch parallel pipeline, cost estimate \$158,000. Segment 2: Booster with reservoir: Booster cost estimate is \$285,000 total project is estimated at \$439,000. Both project costs would use up approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ of the reserve fund if no state funding is available. A developer's application for service was reviewed so we have an idea of what the demand will be on these proposed developments. Discussion was held concerning a refund of water fees on Hwy. 25 land. Consensus of the Board is to have Mgr. Kemnitz release \$161,905 back to the State Water Commission for funds unused on the Crown Butte project. There has been a lot of requests for pasture taps due to the drought conditions. MWWS purchased 162 AMRs at a cost of \$14,004.
5. Harmon Lake: Tony Goetzfried reported that the SE property line at HL was surveyed and is extremely close to being accurate. He will contact the landowner and work with him. Once the easement is complete, Tony would like to install a gate and leave the fence where it is at now. He will coordinate that with Tim Nilsen, MC Parks. Kevin Werchau, MC Parks will do the service work on the Boards UTV. There is a major washout down at the beach due to runoff water down the parking lot hill. Tim will contact Mike Aubol to eliminate the runoff

and will tie it in with the beach expansion project. Consensus is to have Tim get back to the Board on this project.

6. MC Parks: Tim Nilsen reported that the lilacs at HL have been cut down and hauled to the landfill at a cost of \$460.40. An individual has contacted Andy Zachmeier about purchasing the kayak launcher and leaving it there as a donation in memory. The total cost of the double launching system if we use the original launch will be \$12,136.06. Mgr. Wetsch will send the figures to Andy and he can contact the contributor. Mgr. Wetsch and Tim met with BEK Communications about the 10x14 building they will be putting at HL. The building will house the computer system and they will include an overhang on the roof to cover vending machines. They will maintain the building for 2 years and then they will turn the building over to MCWRD. The Board requested it to match the shop. It will be insulated and tinned in the inside. They will check to see if they can expand the concrete pad to include a flag pole. Revenue from HL so far equals \$37,441 compared to \$36,894 in 2016. Tim hopes to get the rip rap completed at Fish Creek this year. SWC will draw up the contract and it will have to meet G&F requirements. SWC will reimburse 40%. Discussion was held on the renewal of the Paddle-On Contract for 2018. There will be an updated Handbook for the ND Water Managers at the State Water Convention in December. The Board requested purchasing 6 manuals. Water Managers must be trained every 3 years.
7. Zachmeier CAT: The precast intake structure cost is \$18,000, material and grate with a slight improvement. Mgr. Christensen moved to authorize Houston Engineering to proceed with the plan specs and project manual and gain a contractor at a cost of \$14,500 and bring back to Board before proceeding with project. Mgr. Schmidt seconded the motion. MCU.
8. Otter Creek: After the field wetland delineation was completed, the bottom section has no wetland issues. Houston Engineering will provide the data to NRCS and the extent of the project. HE recommends getting the 1st piece completed and proceed to finish more downstream which would include draining, obtain a permit to clean channel and future cleanouts. Estimate is approximately 7,000 yards of material to remove in the 1st reach. Shelly Doyle will obtain documents on the wetlands and Otter Creek and get to HE. Tom Bair will contact the State NRCS concerning conservation easements. Time and material fees will be based on \$150,000. Mgr. Schmidt moved to authorize Houston Engineering to obtain the drainage permit, finish the wetland report and design specs and consultation of the easement. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MCU.
9. HL Breach Zone: No report from Karen Goff SWC. The Geomorphology Study is waiting to get federal agencies on board before proceeding.
10. NRCS: Shelly Doyle reported to the Board that the next water quality phase will be at Hailstone Creek, west of New Salem. It will be a 319 project and would like a letter of support from the MCWRD. Discussion was held concerning palmer amaranth weed that is

coming into North Dakota from hay trucked in from southern states. Shelly Doyle will be retiring on September 29th. The Board thanks her for her services.

11. 2018 Budget: Mgr. Saxowsky moved to approve the 2018 Proposed Budget for MCWRD. Mgr. Wetsch seconded the motion. MCU.

12. Financials: Mgr. Schmidt moved to approve and pay the following vouchers. Mgr. Saxowsky seconded the motion. MCU.

<u>CK#</u>	<u>NAME:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>	<u>MEMO:</u>
5708	Bair Law Firm	\$1200.00	Legal Fees
5709	Houston Engineering	\$3343.00	Zachmeier CAT Prof fees & Mileage
5710	MC Parks	\$460.40	HL Tree removal
5711	Wade Bachmeier	\$469.01	Meetings, mileage
5712	Raymond Christensen	\$174.67	Meetings, mileage
5713	Anthony Goetzfried	\$415.60	Wages, mileage, Supplies
5714	George Saxowsky	\$187.17	Meetings, mileage
5715	James Schmidt	\$141.17	Meetings, mileage
5716	James Wetsch	\$141.01	Meetings, mileage
5717	Brenda Winckler	\$1017.31	Salary, equip rent, Lunch, postage
EFT	IRS	\$441.14	Payroll taxes

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

Wade M. Bachmeier, Chairman

Brenda Winckler, Sec-Treas.