



**MINNESOTA
SOIL and WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS**

*Minutes of the July 12, 2018 Board Meeting
Martin Soil and Water Conservation District
Fairmont, Minnesota*

**Meeting called to order by Cowing at 9:00 am
The Pledge of Allegiance**

Members present: Larry Cowing – Vice Chair, Linda Meschke – member, and Clair Schmidt, Jr – member

Absent: Judy Beckman – Chair, Tyler Ask – member

Others present: Steve Flohrs – County Commissioner Liaison, Ashley Brenke – District Manager, Betsy Norland – District Conservationist, and Jesse Walters – Outreach Coordinator

Changes or Additions to Agenda
None

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Meschke to approve the June 14, 2018 Secretary's Report with the addition of the \$50,000 bank transfer, second by Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Schmidt to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional Bills

A motion was made by Schmidt to pay \$4.28 to Octane Motorsports and \$107.21 to the Knights of Columbus Hall, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

Programs

Cost-Share Programs

State Cost-Share

Amendment

CS #2-18 Tom Davis 2
Township: Jay
Project: Well Sealing
Project Bid Amount: \$1,475.00
Cost Share Requested: \$737.00
Amendment Cost: + \$263.00

A motion was made by Schmidt to approve the cost amendment for CS #2-18, second by Meschke.
Motion carried unanimously.

Completed Projects

CS #27-17 Scott Halverson
Township: Westford
Project: Well Sealing
Project Bid Amount: \$2,270.00
Cost Share Requested: \$1,000.00
Eligible Project Cost: \$3,452.00
Cost Share due: \$1,000.00

A motion was made by Meschke to approve payment of \$1,000.00 for CS #27-17, second by Schmidt.
Motion carried unanimously.

CS #1-18 Tom Davis 1
Township: Jay
Project: Well Sealing
Project Bid Amount: \$957.50
Cost Share Requested: \$478.00
Eligible Project Cost: \$1,002.50
Cost Share due: \$478.00

A motion was made by Schmidt to approve payment of \$478.00 for CS #1-18, second by Meschke.
Motion carried unanimously.

CS #2-18-1x Tom Davis 2
Township: Jay
Project: Well Sealing
Project Bid Amount: \$2,087.50
Cost Share Requested: \$1,000.00
Eligible Project Cost: \$2,087.50
Cost Share due: \$1,000.00

A motion was made by Meschke to approve payment of \$1,000.00 for CS #2-18-1x, second by Schmidt.
Motion carried unanimously.

CS #3-18 Tom Davis 3
Township: Jay
Project: Well Sealing
Project Bid Amount: \$1,020.00
Cost Share Requested: \$510.00
Eligible Project Cost: \$1,020.00
Cost Share due: \$510.00

A motion was made by Meschke to approve payment of \$1,000.00 for CS #3-18, second by Schmidt.
Motion carried unanimously.

CS #8-18 Shane Schofield
Township: Fox Lake
Project: Well Sealing
Project Bid Amount: \$1,052.50
Cost Share Requested: \$526.00
Eligible Project Cost: \$1,075.00
Cost Share due: \$526.00

A motion was made by Schmidt to approve payment of \$1,000.00 for CS #8-18, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

Buffer Cost Share

Completed Projects

BCS #4-18 Lawrence Sukalski
Township: Silver Lake
Project: Cover Crops
Project Bid Amount: \$1,350.00
Cost Share Requested: \$1,350.00
Eligible Project Cost: \$1,350.00
Cost Share due: \$1,350.00

A motion was made by Schmidt to approve payment of \$1,350.00 for BCS #4-18, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

BCS #6-18 Barry Carlson
Township: Cedar
Project: Buffer
Project Bid Amount: \$900.00
Cost Share Requested: \$900.00
Eligible Project Cost: \$900.00
Cost Share due: \$900.00

A motion was made by Meschke to approve payment of \$900.00 for BCS #6-18, second by Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

Cancellation

BCS #5-18 Lawrence Sukalski
Township: Silver Lake
Project: Buffer
Project Bid Amount: \$450.00
Cost Share Requested: \$450.00
Return to BWSR: \$450.00

A motion was made by Meschke to cancel BCS #5-18, second by Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

Capacity – Clean Water Funds

New Projects

CF #2-18 Ryan Hagedorn
Township: Center Creek
Project: Cover Crops
Project Bid Amount: \$10,224.00
Cost Share Requested: \$10,224.00

A motion was made by Schmidt to encumber \$10,224.00 for CF #2-18, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

CF #3-18 Harvey Hagedorn
Township: Center Creek
Project: Cover Crops
Project Bid Amount: \$11,520.00
Cost Share Requested: \$11,520.00

A motion was made by Meschke to encumber \$11,520.00 for CF #3-18, second by Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

GBERBA

New Projects

46-?? David Ammann
Township: Cedar
Project: Cover Crops
Project Bid Amount: \$1,000.00
Cost Share Requested: \$750.00

A motion was made by Schmidt to encumber \$750.00 for 46-??, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

Grant Programs

No Update

Old Business

Watershed Conservation Planner

A motion was made by Meschke to approve the job description and post a job opening when an approved and signed grant agreement is received by Martin SWCD, second by Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

Cover Crop Policy

Discussion on Cover Crop Policy.

New Business

Martin County 4-H Auction

A motion was made by Meschke to approve donating \$100.00 to the 4-H Auction, second by Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

CWF FY19 Grant Application

An update followed by discussion.

Bush Hog

A motion was made by Schmidt to donate the Bush Hog back to Fox Lake Conservation League, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Schmidt to rent a Tractor/Mower when necessary and bill it accordingly, second by Meschke. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

Special Meetings

Area 6

The next Area 6 meeting will be held in Fairmont on November 27, 2018.

County Commissioner Report - Flohrs

Commissioners have been working on drainage projects and the County Budget.

District Conservationist Report - Norland

See handout.

District Manager Report - Brenke

See handout.

Water Plan Committee - Beckman

Next Water Plan meeting will be on September 27, 2018.

Water Plan/WCA Report - Perrine

Nothing additional

SCTSA

Discussion on fleet management.

GBERBA

Joint meeting will be on July 13, 2018.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Meschke to adjourn the meeting, second by Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

August 9, 2018 Date Approved Austin Bener Secretary-Treasurer