Lac qui Parle Soil and Water Conservation District

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Our mission is to provide conservation opportunities for landowners of Lac qui Parle County through creative stewardship, protection programs and utilization of the resources to foster soil improvement and water quality in the community.

Minutes August 11, 2022

The Lac qui Parle Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors met on Thursday, August 11, 2022, at the SWCD Office Board Room. Board Supervisors present: Danny Larson, Mike Croatt, and Daryl Schutte, Amy Bacigalupo and Rosemary Weber. SWCD Staff present: Chessa Frahm, Maria Croatt (MaCroatt), Absent were Quintin Peterson and Rhyan Schicker. Chairman Weber welcomed everyone, and called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m.

Agenda:

Croatt made a motion to approve the Agenda as printed. Schutte seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes:

Weber commented a correction of motion and time of adjourning July 14th meeting, MaCroatt noted, Bacigalupo made a motion to approve the Minutes from the July 14, 2022 board meeting with corrections. Croatt seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Open Gallery: (2 minutes per person/10 minutes total) – *None*

Conflict of Interest Declaration: *None*

Treasurer's Report:

The checks were reviewed and discussed. Croatt made a motion to approve for payment July checks #7964 through #7967 from the United Prairie account and July checks #13162 through #13170 from the Old National account. Schutte seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Schutte made a motion to approve the July Treasurer's Reports as presented. Bacigalupo seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

State Cost Share Programs Contracts & Payments:

- State Cost-Share:
 - o Bjornson cost share not available
 - State Cost-Share Payments: Croatt made a motion to approve the following State Cost-share payment. Bacigalupo seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

•	Contract #	CS Year	Name	Practice	Amount
	CS 2021-02	2021	Larson, Brent	340	\$1989.30
	CS 2021-03	2021	Ludvigson, Tony	340	\$4188.00

- Well Sealing:
 - Well Sealing Payments: None

Correspondence: Frahm presented the Open Meeting Law fact-sheet hand-out, reminder public must be able to be present at meetings.

Reports:

• Reports:

- Supervisor Reports: Croatt reported on his attendance to the One Watershed One Plan meeting.
- o <u>Partner Agency Reports</u>:
 - <u>NRCS</u>: *None*
 - <u>BWSR</u>: *None*
- Technical Reports:
 - Frahm reported they have been busy. Working with Heather Nursery to provide plugs for the Boyd pollinator project.
- o Admin Report:
 - Attended the NCPP Leadership in Puerto Rico: Working on a culture shift project, software to help streamline the LWG process, JAA process improvement
 - LqP 1W1P: Final plan will be sent to steering and advisory today for review, policy meeting on the 24th.
 - YM 1W1P: New tracking software, PRAP is complete, meeting all our required standards and 18/22 high standards, work on communication among partners.
 - FarmFest: Assisted with booth on the 3rd, 500 sticks of honey gone by noon the 2nd day, other giveaways form prior years gone as well. Will be using the same set up for the LqP Fair.

Old Business:

• <u>LqP-YB Governance Structure:</u> Decision on collaborative instead of entity decision due to Watershed having expertise in management of contracts and will be accountable. Concerns were address. Need to review MOA and vote on in September.

New Business:

• <u>SWCD Board Retreat</u>: November 10th following board meeting, Frahm suggested speaker from SDSU Extension. She will check into availability.

Personnel:

• <u>Hiring update</u> Frahm submitted her resignation as District Manager. Personnel committee met with Tyler from Yellow Medicine and interviewed two internal applicants. Decision made to post to the public.

Calendar of Events:

August 24	LqP-YB Policy Committee Meeting
September 5	Labor Day (Office Closed)
September 8	Regular SWCD Board Meeting
October 10	Columbus Day (Office Closed)
October 13	Regular SWCD Board Meeting
October 26	LqP-YB Policy Committee Meeting
November 10	Regular SWCD Board Meeting and retreat (1/2 day session)
November 11	Veteran's Day (Office Closed)
November 24	Thanksgiving (Office Closed)
December 8	Regular SWCD Board Meeting
December 26	Christmas Observed (Office Closed)
December 28	LqP-YB Policy Committee Meeting

Adjourn: With no further business, Weber declared the meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

<u>Danny Larson</u>

<u>September 8, 2022</u>

Date

Approved

The Lac qui Parle Soil and Water Conservation District is an equal opportunity service provider and employer.