

EAST POLK SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
April 19, 2018

Board Members Present: Al Bauer, Ken Pederson, Bruce Grundyson and Scott Balstad. Absent: Larry Vettleson.

Others Present: Lisa Erickson-District Manager, Karla Byklum-Administrative Assistant, Sarah Mielke-District Technician, and Rachel Klein-District Technician.

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman: Scott Balstad.

Motion to approve the Agenda: Bruce Grundyson, Seconded: Al Bauer. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the February 15, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes: Al Bauer, Seconded: Bruce Grundyson. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the February 2018 Financial Report: Ken Pederson, Seconded: Al Bauer. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

**NRCS Report:**

None

**Member Report:**

Bauer attended the AIS meeting. They will be hiring 3 positions for the summer and will be handing out coasters, key/license floaters. Also attended the Vesledahl meeting.

Pederson attended the WRAC meeting in Crookston on March 28<sup>th</sup>. The proposed BWSR Buffer APO Amendment for landowners to be fined who are not in compliance based on a \$500.00/linear feet was voted down.

Balstad reported that the nitrogen rule does not apply to this part of the state. The RRVCSA is hiring an Engineering Technician for Kittson, Marshall, Pennington, West Polk, Red Lake County, and Roseau. The Engineering Technician will report to the District Manager of the office's location.

**Staff Report:**

Erickson reported on attending the TEP, WRAC, AIS and lakes meeting with Cory and Denise Oaks. Will be presenting at the Wildlife station at the Area Envirothon.

Byklum reported getting the Envirothon packets ready for Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. There are 28 teams registered to compete this year. Has ordered 5050 trees, no delivery date has been scheduled yet. Attended the Area 1 meeting in Crookston on March 20<sup>th</sup> and the NACDE meeting that was held in Erskine April 5<sup>th</sup>.

Klein attended the SWI training and IET (Integrated Erosion Tool) training, the IET replaces RUSLE2 and WEPS. Met with Mary Steinlicht (RRVCSA) for GIS training. Attending TEP, WRAC, AIS meetings with Erickson. Has been busy with buffers getting a mailing list together for the public waters.

Mielke reported attending the MACFO conference, Nitrogen Smart training, has picked up 10 rain barrels for the workshop that will be held Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> in McIntosh. Will be going to Clay County SWCD to watch a rain barrel workshop on April 24<sup>th</sup>. Blaine Keller, Prairie Restorations, will be doing a Shoreline Restoration and Raingardens presentation at the Mentor Community Center on Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Went to the Fosston School for Arbor Day on April 17<sup>th</sup> and will be going to Erskine School on April 20<sup>th</sup> to give the kindergarten class a Black Hills Spruce tree and read a book to them. Will be attending the RLWD and SHWD board meeting with Klein. Received 2 AIS essay entries this year.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Motion by Ken Pederson to encumber \$900.00 for John Gunvalson for the Buffer Cost Share 2018/Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract. Seconded by Bruce Grundyson. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

Motion by Ken Pederson to approve 50% Cost Share for the Rain Barrel workshop for 2018. Seconded by Al Bauer. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

Motion by Bruce Grundyson to approve 12 Rain Barrel kits for a total of \$359.80. Seconded by Al Bauer. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

Motion by Bruce Grundyson to spend up to \$300.00 on purchasing equipment for lake monitoring (boat/anchor/life jackets/electric trolling motor). Seconded by Al Bauer. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

Motion by Al Bauer to set the photocopy fee for the public at:

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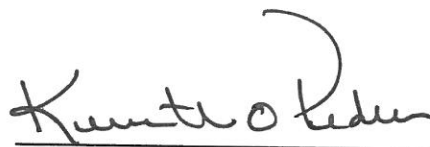
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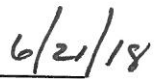
Seconded by Ken Pederson. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.

Next board meeting will be held on Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 a.m. Bruce Grundyson. Seconded by Al Bauer. Affirmative-all. Opposed-none. Motion carried.



Secretary



Date