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MINNESOTA SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Minutes of the Sibley Soil & Water Conservation District, 112 5th Street, Gaylord, MN on
March 14th, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Chair – Grams at 4:04 p.m.

Members Present: Chair, Wayne Grams
Secretary, Loren Evenson
Treasurer, Paul Wiemann

Others Present: District Manager, Joel Wurscher
District Technician, Jeremy Buckentin
NRCS-District Conservationist, Reyna Chavez

Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Evenson, it was moved to approve the March 2023 agenda as presented. Ayes Grams, Evenson, Wiemann. Carried.

Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Evenson, it was moved to approve the minutes of the February 2023 meeting. Ayes Grams, Evenson, Wiemann. Carried.

Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Evenson, it was moved to approve twenty-six paid bills for the month of February totaling \$31,559.21. Ayes Grams, Evenson, Wiemann. Carried.

Upon a motion by Wiemann and seconded by Evenson, it was moved to approve the March 2023 Treasurer's report subjected to audit. Ayes Grams, Evenson, Wiemann. Carried. The Supervisors gave Wurscher the tasks of looking into what the current interest rates are for cd's right now and if the District's accounts were insured at \$250,000 or over.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

Ag BMP Loan: Wurscher informed the Board that Gary Kruggel would like to apply for an Ag BMP loan towards a Salford vertical tillage ripper. Wurscher stated that Gary is trading in another piece of equipment but would like a loan in the amount of \$56,000. If the loan goes through, Gary plans on using it this Fall on 400+ acres. A motion was made by Wiemann and seconded by Evenson, moving to approve this purchase of a vertical tillage ripper as an acceptable best management practice and recommend moving forward with the Ag BMP loan program. Ayes Grams, Evenson, Wiemann. Carried.

NRCS Report: See attached NRCS report. It was determined that the 2023 Local Work Group meeting will be held on May 9th, starting at 3pm, located at the USDA conference room.

Supervisor & Staff Report: See attached staff report.

Other Business:

Wurscher brought forward an orientation training opportunity for the Supervisors if they were interested.

Next Meeting: April 11, 2023, starting at 4 p.m., located at 112 5th Street, Gaylord, MN.

Adjourn: Upon a motion by Wiemann seconded by Evenson, it was moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m. Ayes Grams, Evenson, Wiemann. Carried.

Approved: April 11, 2023

Secretary