

Meeting #553

The regular meeting of the Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed District Board of Managers was held on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at the Lac qui Parle County Courthouse at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Darrel Ellefson. Managers present were: David Ludvigson, David Craigmile, John Cornel, and Joe Ferguson. Others present were: Trudy Hastad, Mary Homan, & Ron Fjerkenstad.

Chairman Ellefson asked for additions to the agenda. Manager Cornell asked to add pasture lease to the agenda. Manager Craigmile motioned to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Manager Ferguson.

PARK REPORT: Ron met with the Board for the monthly park report. Ron reported the used park equipment was picked up and taken to the auction site in Canby with the sale to be held on March 19th. The new tractor was delivered and was working out well. Fishing was going great on Del Clark with a 42" and a 40" Northern speared during the week. Ron will be on vacation until the 16th with Pat Stanley overseeing park activities. No further action was taken.

CWP REPORT: Homan reported the Clean Water Fund grant for the LiDAR Terrain Analysis grant was extended through December 31, 2016 to complete some ground truthing of the maps and develop additional subwatersheds. We ended up being short dollars on our in-kind. Our intern will be able to help develop additional subwatersheds for additional in-kind. Homan has started work on the final report for the Yellow Bank grant that ends on April 5th. Amortization schedules and a septic maintenance booklets were sent to everyone that upgraded septic systems in 2015. Homan reported on the TEAM meeting held on February 29th. No further action was taken.

WCA REPORT: Homan sent out the Notice of Application for the 'Aaron Olson wetland banking project. There were comments sent back from the State office and will be presented to the LGU Board for approval in April. She also reported getting some information back to the consultant on the Selford Moen wetland bank application in section 9, Cerro Gordo.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Manager Ludvigson presented the Treasurer's report. Manager Cornell motioned to approve the Treasurers report, seconded by Manager Craigmile. Upon vote, all voted in favor.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Secretary report #552 was presented for approval as mailed. Manager Ferguson motioned to approve report #552 as mailed, seconded by Manager Cornell. Upon vote, all voted in favor.

The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. in the Lac qui Parle County Commissioners' room.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Hastad discussed a request from Tim Koehler, Senior Programs Advisor for BWSR asking to have the Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank add their name as a supporter on a letter that is being formulated for submission to USDA in Washington supporting voluntary conservation including CREP to submit to the USDA Secretary. Joe Duggan from Pheasants Forever is formulating the letter. The Board reviewed the letter and discussion followed.

Manager Ludvigson motioned to add the Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed District's name in support of the letter being drafted to the USDA Secretary regarding a new MN Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) focused on buffers and floodplains, wetlands, and wellhead protection, seconded by Manager Craigmile. Upon vote, all voted in favor.

Hastad asked if she should attend the LQP annual township meeting scheduled for March 21, 2016. The Board thought she should be on the agenda and remind the townships of the Watershed permit process. No further action was taken.

Hastad reported that the Lac qui Parle County Commissioners ordered redetermination of Judicial Ditch #4 and viewers were appointed. The camera people will be out the week of March 14th to run camera up the pipe in conjunction with the bean plant scheduled maintenance shut-down. No further action was taken.

Hastad discussed the need for a phone conference with Attorney Kolb to review his concerns regarding the proposed wind towers. Hastad was authorized to set this up.

Hastad discussed the funding of the Br 11 CD #27 Improvement Project. She was authorized to talk with LQP Coordinator/Auditor/Treasurer Jake Sieg to set up time to ask commissioners to bond for this project. Discussion followed. Hastad ^{will} coordinate with Sieg.

Hastad reminded the Board of the MAWD Legislative Breakfast & Day at the Capitol to be held on March 30 & 31st. Hastad will invite Dahmes, Swedinski, & Torkelson. No further action was taken.

Manager Cornell discussed some fencing concerns on the hayland rented to Randy Brown by the Fales property. A fence is need to keep his cattle out of their property, and usually cost is split between landowners. Discussion followed with Manager Cornell instructed to contact Mr. Fales and invite him to the April meeting to discuss. Manager Ferguson was going to check on cost of fencing. No further action was taken.

The following bills were presented for payment:

GENERAL KLEIN ACCOUNT:

02-16-16	0	transfer from Klein General to ditch	FEMA WS #1 money	\$250.15
03-01-16	6394	Quill Corp	YB Office supplies	\$46.60
03-01-16	6395	MSU – Mankato	Final LiDar Grant Payment	\$6,657.20
03-01-16	6396	LQP Broadcasting Co., Inc.	January Buffer meeting ad	\$52.50
03-01-16	6397	LQP-YB UBP Checking	YB grant postage reimb septic book	\$29.00
			TOTAL	\$7,035.45

PARK ACCOUNT:

02-26-16	5573	monthly payroll	February payroll	\$1,788.49
03-01-16	5574	Kockelman Construction	snow removal @ park	\$110.00
03-01-16	5575	Frontier Communications	park phone, fax, internet	\$255.64
03-01-16	5576	AT&T Mobility	park cell phone 507-829-0394	\$41.58
03-01-16	5577	Lincoln Pipestone rural Water	water @ park	\$41.67
03-01-16	5578	US Postal Service	yearly PO Box rent	\$60.00
03-01-16	5579	Farmers Coop Assn.	super unleaded gas	\$45.52
03-01-16	5580	Olson Sanitation LLC	February trash expense	\$11.70
03-01-16	5581	Lyon-Lincoln Electric Coop	electricity @ park	\$779.82
			TOTAL	\$3,134.42

UNITED PRAIRIE BANK GENERAL ACCOUNT:

02-19-16	2617 – 2618	semi-monthly payroll	Feb 1-15 payroll	\$3,436.85
02-19-16	2619	PERA	semi-monthly payroll	\$644.95
02-29-16	2620	PERA	monthly payroll deductions	\$344.16
03-01-16	2621	Frontier Communications	CWP phone 320-598-3319	\$38.57
03-01-16	2622	Frontier Communications	office phone 320-598-3117	\$38.57
03-01-16	2623	Minnesota Viewers Association	2016 Dues	\$125.00
03-01-16	2624	Bolton & Menk, Inc.	Br 11 Cd #27 as built maps	\$1,023.50
03-01-16	2625	Minnesota State Auditor	audit services	\$1,664.50
03-01-16	2626	Rinke-Noonan Attorney's @ Law	monthly retainer	\$200.00
03-01-16	2627	MAWD	2016 Dues	\$4,000.00
03-01-16	2628	Pat Johnson	9 nuisance beaver	\$112.50
03-01-16	2629	LQP-YB Liability	Federal withholding	\$2,970.76
03-01-16	2630	LQP County	February postage	\$65.02
03-01-16	2631	VOID	VOID	\$-0-
03-02-16	2632 – 2637	monthly payroll & ditch work	February payroll & ditch work	\$2,266.59
03-02-16	2638	MAWD	MAWD Legislative Breakfast reg	\$400.00
03-02-16	2639	Minnesota Revenue	sales & use tax	\$85.00
03-04-16	2640 – 2641	semi-monthly payroll	Feb 16-29 payroll	\$3,436.86
03-04-16	2642	PERA	semi-monthly deductions	\$644.95
			TOTAL	\$21,497.78

DITCH ACCOUNT:

None

TOTAL**\$0.00**

Manager Craigmile motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Manager Ferguson. Upon vote, all voted in favor.

PERMITS: The following permit applications were applied for:

11405	Myron Deslauriers	OshKosh, 6	seepage, main tile	03/01/16 JF
11406	Goerke Family Partnership	Perry, 22	main tile	03/01/16 DL
11407	G. O. Miller Family	Norman, 2	clean ditch	03/01/16 JF
11408	Nathan Ufkin	Florida, 12	seepage, main tile	03/01/16 JF
11409	Gary Robertson	Maxwell, 15	seepage lines	03/01/16 DC
11410	Ed Shelstad	Madison, 1	seepage lines, main tile	03/01/16 DE
11411	Eric Lund	Lake Shore N, 26/35	seepage, main tile	03/01/16 DE
11412	Gary Robertson	Providence, 26	seepage lines	03/01/16 DE
11413	Warren Trygestad	Lake Shore S, 21	seepage lines	03/01/16 DE

PERMITS HELD: Steve Redepenning for NRCS setbacks

Manager Craigmile motioned to approve the permits, seconded by Manager Cornell. Upon vote, all voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Attest:


David Craigmile, LQP-YB Secretary


Darrel Ellefson, LQP-YB Chairman