

Approved: *J. J. Mull*

Chippewa Luce Mackinac Conservation District
Board Meeting Minutes – August 30th, 2016

Board Members Present: Forbes McDonald, Jane Bishop, Thomas Allan, Mike Kowalski, Orville Kabat

Absent: none

NRCS/District Staff Present: Kristina Denison

MDARD Representative: none

Public in Attendance: none

The July 12th meeting minutes and Treasurers Reports were reviewed. Bishop motioned to accept both, second by Kowalski. Carried.

There were no Public Comments.

- Program Reports were distributed.
- MAEAP (YTD/Goal) Risk Assessments (47/50), Re-Assessments (0/3), Verifications (4/12), Re-Verifications (0/3), Risk Reduction Practices (274/230), Phase One Approved Events (5/3).

Old Business:

- Resource Assessment is underway. Assessments have been received via mail and through the link on the webpage. Assessments are due November 30th, 2016.

New Business:

- The District as fiduciary of Three Shores CISMA was invited to submit a full proposal for grant funding under the Michigan Invasive Species Grant Program. Denison/Cassel seek permission to apply for approximately \$390,000 in funds from MISGP and provide approximately \$120,000 in a 2-3 year grant starting in FY2017. Final numbers will be presented at a later board meeting in a resolution once final budgeting has been completed. Kabat motioned to apply for grant, second by Bishop. Motion carried.
- Denison recommended adding compensatory agreements for eligible staff under FLSA in lieu of overtime. Allan motioned to add the agreements beginning FY2017, second by Kabat. Carried.
- Kabat motioned the District conduct a Financial Review with Anderson Tackman for FY2016 even though a full audit is not required. Second by Bishop. Motion carried.
- Denison upon recommendation from Cassel proposed an extension of Pfldeirer's Work Agreement through the end of October under the MISGP Grant including a wage increase now that she is certified and will be conducting spray activities. Motion by Kabat to accept recommendation, second by Kowalski. Approved.
- PA 116 Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program applications from Bishop (David J. and Jane E.) were reviewed. Kowalski motioned to approve the applications covering with no comments to the governing body. Second by Kabat. Motion carried.
- MSU Extension Lease Amendment on Piche Property – They would like to leave the hybrid poplar on site. Denison will collect further information at request of board for future decision.

Other Items:

- King Work Agreement Expires September 30th, 2016
- Budget Hearing will be held at October Board Meeting on October 11th, 2016.

Kabat moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Kowalski, carried. Meeting Adjourned.