

Approved: Stalinski

Chippewa Luce Mackinac Conservation District
Board Meeting Minutes – October 11th, 2016

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

Absent: Orville Kabat

NRCS/District Staff Present: Kristina Denison, Aubrey Proctor, Pat Carr

MDARD Representative: none

Public in Attendance: Tyler Augst (AmeriCorp Volunteer)

The August meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion by Kowalski to accept, second by Allan. Carried. The Treasurers Report was reviewed. Motion by Bishop to accept, second by Allan. Carried.

Public Comments:

Tyler Augst (AmeriCorp Volunteer) introduced himself to the board and let the board know about his position with the EUP ISD to work with area schools to provide service learning opportunities.

- Program Reports were distributed. Carr gave an NRCS update.
- MAEAP (YTD/Goal) Risk Assessments (49/50), Re-Assessments (0/3), Verifications (17/12), Re-Verifications (0/3), Risk Reduction Practices (317/230), Phase One Approved Events (7/3).

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.
- Still no news on the Cousino Property Donation. Denison will continue to gather information as it becomes available.
- Discussion still in progress regarding a District Development Day for Board and Staff. Denison and Bishop will continue to work together on this.
- Discussion on MSU Extension Lease Request for Piche Property. The Board would like to know what option is available for removing the hybrid poplar and planting something else in its place. Denison will follow up.

New Business:

- Approval of FY2017 MDARD Grants: FAP - \$67,562.50, MAEAP - \$62,562.50, CTAI (June 29th, 2017) - \$48,314.18, CTAI FY14 Amendment (already passed from vacancy) - \$133,722.77, HAP - \$5,000. A motion was made by Bishop to accept and continue all of the grant funding, second by Kowalski, motion carried.
- FY2017 Work Agreements for Somes (Denison), Cassel, McCarthy, Kangas, Insley, Lotoszinski, and Proctor were presented. A motion by Allan was made to accept and sign the work agreements, second by Bishop, motion carried.
- FY2017 Compensatory agreements for MDARD grantees (Proctor, McCarthy, and Kangas) were presented. A motion was made by Allan to accept, second by Bishop. Motion approved.
- The FY2017 Budget was presented. Kowalski motioned to accept, second by Bishop. Carried.
- The FY2017 Work Plan was presented. Bishop motioned to accept, second by Allan. Carried.

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- It was moved by Allan, seconded by Kowalski, to move forward with a financial review by Anderson & Tackman in the amount of \$1,500. Motion carried.
- MACD Annual Meeting Resolutions (6 in total) were presented for consideration at the upcoming meeting. Information will go to Bishop and she will represent the District at the meeting.

Other Items:

- Annual Dinner Meeting will be held in January as usual. No elections to take place this year.
- Appropriations Act will be worked on by Denison and ready for approval by December Board meeting.
- MACD Fall Conference is October 24th – 26th at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire, Bishop will be attending as Board Representative
- Fall Tree Sale is Friday, October 14th.

Allan moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Bishop, motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.