CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Meeting was called to order by Chair, Layton Gruis at 7:00 p.m.
Guests: John Shea (Nobles SWCD Manager), Sabrina Vosberg (Nobles SWCD Assistant), Gene Metz (Nobles County Commissioner)

AGENDA: The agenda for the May 21, 2020 meeting was reviewed. J. Brake moved to approve the agenda as mailed. C. Gruis seconded the motion. Affirmative: A. Henning, L. Gruis, J. Brake, C. Gruis and B. Jansma. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: The minutes of the March 12, 2019 regular meeting were reviewed. C. Gruis moved to approve the minutes as presented. J. Brake seconded the motion. Affirmative: A. Henning, L. Gruis, J. Brake, C. Gruis and B. Jansma. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

COST-SHARE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS: Raddle presented the board with the updated remaining project log.

KLR-2017-17  Rick Knips  WASCOB  $18,990.01

KLR-2018-08  Garry Drost  WASCOB  $5,331.79

KLR-2018-10  Jerry Loonan  WASCOB  $6,737.17

KLR-2020-05  Henry Meester  WWY  $16,614.00


CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:
   A. Ditch 11 – No new information.
   B. Missouri River Watershed Partnership – The SWCD signed the grant agreement yesterday. When the funds arrive, we will be able to start allocating the funds.
   C. LMC/MCIT Insurance – Insurance with MCIT is now active.
   D. Arbor Day – B. Jansma will talk with Ellsworth to see if we can get them the trees. He will let Shea or Vosberg know. The remaining trees will hopefully be planted on the school properties.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Shea has talked with the Adrian staff about the Wellhead project. They have sent the documents to the landowner and are waiting to get them back to complete the transfer of property. Shea will attend an administrator meeting in August. It is a joint meeting with SWCDs and Watersheds. Shea also asked the board to think about the 2021 budget. If they would like to see anything added or changed, they should contact Shea. Elections will still happen this year for 3 SWCD supervisors and 2 county commissioners. Shea also touched on the Buffers.

OTHER REPORTS: The SWCD passed a new cost-share policy. It will closely mimic the MRWP policy. The funds can go up to 90% when partnered. If the project is for a farmable basin, funds will only be allowed up to 75%. The county authorized the purchase of a drone to monitor buffers. They will also use it to redetermine the ditches. The county will be by appointment only beginning next week. A postcard will be sent out with numbers on how to contact staff.

NEW BUSINESS:
   A. Nobles County Fair Ecology Bus – Wait to see if the fair happens this year.
   B. Nobles County Fair Booth – Wait to see if the fair happens this year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: Next meeting Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.


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Secretary