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Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: Land Conservation and Resource Management Committee

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, February 1, 2017

Electronic and Hardcopy Filing Date: Monday, February 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Land Conservation and Resource Management Committee was called order at 5:45 p.m. by Chairperson Ms. Nettie Rosenow. Roll call showed that Mr. Don Hillert was present and Mr. David Danzinger was present by phone for all or part of the meeting. Mr. David Linse and Mr. Scott Smith were excused. Ms. Carrie Olson, County Conservationist was present for all of the meeting.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: The January 5, 2017 minutes were accepted as presented. Approval was postponed for a future committee meeting.

Public Comments regarding posted agenda items: No public comments.

Approve cost-sharing Contractor Invoices for payment:

Cost-share agreement #2016-NOD-01 and contractor invoices were presented for the Hillsong Dairy/Joel Winnes Manure Storage and Runoff Management project with the state share of \$138,600. Invoices were explained and reviewed. All landowner proof of payments for cost-sharing have been received. Questions on the state grant process and construction methods were asked and answered. Motion by Mr. Danzinger, seconded by Mr. Don Hillert to approve the invoices as presented. All in favor. Carried.

Review Request to incorporate additional Conservation structures to Cost Share funding for Flood Damage: Resolution #17-01-06 to 'Fund Cost Sharing for Buffalo County Conservation Structures Damaged by 2016 Floods', was approved at the January 23, 2017 County Board meeting as well as by the Public Service Commission on February 1, 2017. There was a request during the County Board meeting to review the cost-sharing program to also include land that sustained flood damage without any existing conservation structures. The Committee discussed and agreed to keep the cost share program as presented and approved. The new short-term cost-sharing program was developed to provide assistance for those landowners that aren't able to apply under other cost-sharing programs and provides funding to maintain existing structures. Landowners can apply for conservation practice assistance for new structures through existing Land Conservation or NRCS programs at any time. The application process was discussed and selection criteria was determined to ensure the process is unbiased and all interested landowners are provided an opportunity for the 50% cost share funding.

County Conservationists Report: No Report

Chairperson Report No Report

Public Comments Not Relating to the Agenda None given.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, March 2 at 4:00 p.m.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Carrie Olson
County Conservationist