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Kittson SWCD 2018 Special Meeting

Tuesday April 17, 2018, 2018 @ 8 a.m.

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Meeting Minutes

Board Members present included Justin Dagen, Joe Wilebski, CJ Peterson, and Heather Peterson.

Staff present were Jamie Osowski, Justin Muller, Jeremy Benson, and Maddy Rehn.

Justin Muller opened by explaining the primary need for the meeting. Board approval was needed of the MOU between the SWCD and the County in relation to buffer enforcement funds.

There was some discussion over how the public hearing and appeal process is handled if a landowner is out of compliance. There was then discussion on when funding was originally awarded to the County which was July of 2017. The second round of funding will be coming July of 2018. It was also stated that the SWCD has not seen any of this funding yet because of the MOU currently in the works. It was also clarified that the money will be split 95% to the SWCD and 5% to the County as the SWCD is responsible for enforcement. The SWCD will then set aside 10% to cover legal fees inevitable with enforcement. There was then discussion on the budget sheet. It was explained that this Riparian Aid money is coming from the Department of Revenue, not BWSR.

After, Justin Muller then quickly explained numbers 5 and 10 in the MOU as they were a point of confusion previously.

Justin Dagen then moved to approve the MOU as presented and bring it before the County Board of Commissioners. Heather Peterson seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously.

As a secondary need, Jamie brought up that the SWCD has to do an audit this year and the quote from Peterson Company LTD, used in previous years, has increased slightly.

Heather Peterson moved to hire Peterson Company LTD to conduct the audit, Joe Wilebski seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously.

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Heather Peterson
Secretary
