Agenda March 19, 2019 - 7:00 PM

Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting

954 Isabella Rd, Midland, MI 48640

Draft Minutes not approved.

**Call to Order 7:00pm by Laura Norcutt Chair**

**Roll Call Borad Members:** Laura Norcutt, Justin Pelton, Belinda Brewster, Cal Wentorth

Mary Johnson absent.

Karen Thurlow MCD Administrator, Boyd Byelich NRCS.DC , Christine Roman MACD Regional Representative

Guests: Cindy Poole, David Ruhle, Jan Ruhle, Alan Bloch

**Additions to the Agenda:** Cal W. made Motion to have public comment move to last on the agenda, Belinda B. seconded the motion, and motion was carried 4-1 vote.

Cal W. also made a motion that a secretary/treasurer was needed, Christine Roman commented that waiting until after the election would be best for the district, motion was discussed and tabled until after the election.

**Consent Agenda:**

Approval of February meeting minutes: Justin P. made the motion to approve, Cal W. seconded the motion and motion was carried by 4-1 vote.

Financial Reports: February, March: Cal W. made the motion to approve financial reports for February and March, Justin P. seconded the motion, motion carried with a 4-1 vote.

Approval for Payment of bills: Payroll, Add in paper 4-1-19 Annual meeting announcement.

Justin P. motion to approve payment of bills, Laura N. seconded, motion carried 4-1 vote

MAEAP Report: None available

NRCS Update: Boyd gave update on NRCS activities.

**Administrators Report:**

**Old Business: See administrators report Not votes needed Informational only.**

NRCS Coop Agreement updates

Tree Sale updates

HAP Program:

Trailer Rental Program

Marketing updates/MCTV/Workshop

Annual meeting update

Legislative Advocacy Update

NACD Technical Assistance Grant App.

**New Business/ Correspondence:**

Election of Board Members and Officers Petitions Due (Review of Responsibilities)

6 Petitions for the election were collected, those turned in for 4 year term were

Laura Norcutt, Belinda Brewster, Cal Wentworth, Jan Ruhle, David Ruhle, and Cindy Poole.

Barn Closing update, after going over the purchase agreement submitted by the Commissioner’s office and a review with advice from 2 lawyers a discussion was made and a motion was made for legal representation.

Cal W. made a motion to have him continue working with the controller’s office on the purchase of the barn, Belinda seconded the motion, Motion was voted down

Roll call vote:

Cal W. - yes,

Belinda B. - Present,

Justin P. - no

Laura - no.

Motion denied 1-yes, 1-present, 2 no.

Justin P. made motion to hire a lawyer, Laura N. seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote: Cal W. - No,

Justin P. Yes,

Laura N. Yes,

Belinda B. Yes

Motion carried 3 yes - 1 no

A motion was made by Laura N. to have legal representation with a budget up to $800.00, Justin seconded the motion, Motion carried with a 3-1 vote,

Roll call vote:

Belinda B - yes,

Justin P-yes, Laura N - Yes,

Cal W. - No

Motion carried 3 yes -1 no

Application for NACD Grant : Karen submitted an application to NACD for a 3 year operating Grant. Should know results by next meeting.

Saginaw Bay RC&D request for dues, Cal W. made motion to table until he can become familiar in what they do, rest of the board agreed, Belinda B. Seconded the motion and was carried by a 4-1 vote.

MAEAP Celebration, Karen presented a flyer if any board member wanted to attend.

Karen stated she attended the Porter, Lee, Greendale, and Jerome Townships Quad meeting. Gave Report.

**Guest/Public Comment: None**

**Adjourn**: After all business was discussed Justin P. made a motion to adjourn, Belinda B. seconded the motion all voted in favor, Laura N. adjourned meeting at 8:30pm

**Next Meeting: Meeting April 16, 2019**