

# Drayton Watershed Improvement District

## Minutes for: April 21, 2020 Meeting, 3pm – 5pm

Videoconference – Zoom Meeting ID: 914 901 079

<u>  </u> t <u>  </u> Rod Tjoelker	<u>  </u> t <u>  </u> Scott James	<u>  </u> t <u>  </u> Marty Maberry
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<u>  </u> x <u>  </u> Henry Bierlink	<u>  </u> t <u>  </u> David Haggith	<u>  </u> t <u>  </u> Tom Perkow
<u>      </u> Dan Eisses	<u>      </u> Steve Jilk	<u>  </u> x <u>  </u> Fred Likkel
<i>x = present</i>	<i>o = absent with notice</i>	<i>t = teleconference</i>

### I. Consent Agenda

- a. Review and Approval of February 18 Minutes
- b. Financial Report and payment of bills – *see financial report*

Ag Water Board	March, April AWB	<b>\$4,953.48</b>
N3 Consulting	wq monitoring - Feb	<b>\$115.00</b>
	TOTAL - Month	<b>\$5,068.48</b>

Marty moved approval of the Consent Agenda, Scott seconded, motion carried unanimously.

### II. Ag Water Board/Water Supply

- a. Adjudication Position Paper
  - Checking draft with local partners
  - Release to general public late April – seek support for our position
  - Send to Ecology in early May
  - Board indicated approval of the process and content. Marty asked if this would be made public to a wide audience as well. If so it should be simplified.
- b. Application for grant to complete more projects identified in DBM – submitted, \$500k – this will continue the work started under the \$150k grant we are currently working on.
- c. Deep aquifer project – neither Dan or Chuck were on the call. Henry reminded the group that the next steps were:
  - Demonstrating demand for irrigation water
  - Identifying bankable water – Chuck is pursuing an idea to convert ex-dairy water to irrigation.

### III. Drainage/Habitat/Flood

- a. Ditch maintenance – Fred is organizing a discussion with County Public Works surrounding ditch cleaning this summer.
- b. DID #7 progress report – Henry noted that Rick Metzger was working on a project and is seeking funding from the Economic Development Investment Fund at the County.

### IV. Water Quality

- a. Monitoring Results – David reported the numbers have been generally quite good in the past month.
- b. DNA project – Proposal from Exact Scientific – Fred summarized the project proposals that Kent Oostra had submitted. There were 5 separate modules that focused on potential risk areas, each with a budget for completion. The proposed modules are:
 

• Dairy/Beef	\$ 9,650
• Avian	\$20,000
• Domesticated animal	\$19,200
• Human	\$17,000
• 1 animal source	<u>\$ 5,300</u>
	<b>\$71,150</b>

The LWID board met earlier and felt that this would be best coordinated by the AWB as all farmers would benefit from this work. Starting with one module was the consensus and see if we could build on that. The other WIDs followed this direction focusing on the Avian module. Marty moved to apply \$1,300 of the DWID project budget to the project, Scott seconded, motion carried unanimously. This contribution completes the goal of having all WIDs to contribute proportionally to the \$20k project budget.

**V. Education/Communications**

- a. Website – [www.draytonwid.com](http://www.draytonwid.com)
- b. Ag Engineer support position – Henry reported that the AWB board had appointed a committee to study the options and make a recommendation to the WIDs in the next months. Fred is facilitating the committee which is made up of Ed Blok, Terry Lenssen, Scott Bedlington, and Rod Vande Hoef.

**VI. Adjournment/Next Meetings**

May 19- likely postponed  
June 16

Respectfully submitted by Henry Bierlink, Ag Water Board

Approved by \_\_\_\_\_