

**Western Area Water Supply Authority
Board of Directors Meeting
WAWSA Office August 25, 2022**

Attendees

Members Present: Doug Anderson, Matt Beard, Kent Bickler, Raoul Brandt, Ellis Haake, also voting for Chris Brostuen, Robert Harms, Ward Koeser, Larry Novak, and Gary Rust.

Members Absent: Chris Brostuen

Others Present: Tami Madsen (WAWSA), Char Imsland (WAWSA), Cheryl McNeil (WAWSA), Jacob Monson (WAWSA), Cory Chorne (AE2S), Weston McGruder (AE2S), Dustin Schultz (AE2S), Grant Meyer (AE2S), Tom Klabunde (Moore Engineering), Grant Dockter (Moore Engineering), Jeff Bryson (City of Williston), Jeff Shaffer (MCWRD), Craig Haskins (R&T), Liz Suhr (R&T), and Tami Norgard (Vogel) via video.

Meeting Called to Order

Vice-Chairman Haake called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Approval of Agenda

Haake presented the agenda for approval. Madsen requested to move the executive session to 10:00 am. **Rust moved to approve the revised agenda, Anderson seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake

Nay: 0

Carried: 9-0

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes of the July 21, 2022 board meeting were presented for approval. **Koeser moved to approve the minutes as presented, Bickler seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake

Nay: 0

Carried: 9-0

Financial Reports

The July Domestic and Industrial financial reports were presented to the board for their consideration and discussion. **Anderson moved to accept and file the financial reports as presented, Beard seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake

Nay: 0

Carried: 9-0

Madsen presented the board with the July capital accounting report.

Executive Director Report

Madsen gave a monthly update on the water usage and WAWSA system operations.

SWC/NDIC Updates

Madsen also presented the board with the SWC/NDIC updates.

Moore Engineering Report

Tom Klabunde with Moore Engineering presented a 29-Mile project update.

AE2S Reports

McGruder presented the board with the project updates.

R&T East White Earth – TO 63

McGruder presented Carstensen Contracting increase change order #9 for \$10,412.36 for the contractor's extra work and delays and Louis Kuster right of way for the R&T East White Earth – TO 63 project. **Koeser moved to approve Carstensen Contracting increase change order #9 for \$10,412.36 for R&T East White Earth – TO 63, Rust seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake

Nay: 0

Carried: 9-0

R&T West White Earth – TO 64

McGruder also presented Carstensen Contracting change order #8 for a time extension to allow the contractor time to work on pipeline impacted by road improvements for the R&T West White Earth – TO 64 project. **Beard moved to approve Carstensen Contracting time extension change order #8 for R&T West White Earth – TO 64, Anderson seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake

Nay: 0

Carried: 9-0

R&T East White Earth – TO 63a

McGruder presented engineering amendment #3 for additional engineering services for \$75,000.00 for the R&T East White Earth – TO 63a project. **Novak moved to approve the engineering amendment #3 for \$75,000.00 for R&T East White Earth – TO 63a, Bickler seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake

Nay: 0

Carried: 9-0

MCWRD System IV Part IV – TO 77

McGruder presented task order 77 MCWRD System IV Part IV for \$19.2M for the board's approval. This project will be funded 50/50 with a state to MCWRD match. **Rust moved to approve task order 77 MCWRD System IV Part IV, Novak seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake
Nay: 0
Carried: 9-0

MCWRD System IV Part IV – TO 77 Recommendation of Award for Rural Water Project

McGruder recommended awarding the MCWRD System IV Part IV – TO 77 rural water project to the lowest bidder Eatherly Constructors in the amount of \$13,929,300.00. **Beard moved to award the MCWRD System IV Part IV – TO 77 rural water project to the lowest bidder Eatherly Constructors in the amount of \$13,929,300.00, Anderson seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake
Nay: 0
Carried: 9-0

MCWRD System IV Part IV – TO 77 Recommendation of Award for Ground Storage Reservoir Project

McGruder recommended awarding the MCWRD System IV Part IV – TO 77 ground storage reservoir project to the lowest bidder DN Tanks in the amount of \$2,390,100.00. **Koeser moved to award the MCWRD System IV Part IV – TO 77 ground storage reservoir project to the lowest bidder DN Tanks in the amount of \$2,390,100.00, Rust seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake
Nay: Harms
Carried: 8-1

Tami Norgard joined the meeting via video at 10:00 am.

Rust made a motion to enter into executive session for contract negotiations with Powers Lake, Novak seconded.

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake
Nay: 0
Carried: 9-0

Novak left the meeting at 10:51 am.

Koeser moved to leave the executive session, Rust seconded.

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake
Nay: 0
Carried: 9-0

10:52 am exited the executive session and entered into an open meeting.

Tami Norgard left the meeting at 10:52 am.

MCWRD System I North Expansion – TO 76

The MCWRD System I North Expansion – TO 76 invoices for engineering and construction for the month are \$129,522.41. The amount has been approved by the MCWRD board and County Commission. **Koeser moved to approve the invoices for payment, Anderson seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake
Nay: 0
Carried: 9-0

SWC Grant Payment Request

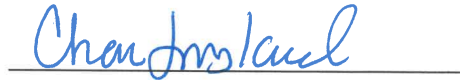
SWC \$30M grant monthly request 30-082522 and SWC \$3M grant monthly request 6-082522 was presented to the board for their approval. **Rust moved to approve the SWC grant requests, Bickler seconded.**

Aye: Anderson, Beard, Bickler, Brandt, Harms, Koeser, Novak, Rust, and Haake
Nay: 0
Carried: 9-0

Rust moved to adjourn, Anderson seconded.



Chris Brostuen, Chairman



Char Imsland, Secretary