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The Board of Supervisors of the Kandiyohi Soil and Water Conservation District held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 21,2024, at the Kandiyohi County Public Works Building.

Chairperson Williamson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Brandon Smith, Donnel Williamson, and Jane Youngkrantz. Also present were Ellie Faber- Conservation Technician, Margaret Johnson-District Manager, Sandy Laumer-Office Manager, Ryan Peterson-District Technical Coordinator, and Will Lee- NRCS District Conservationist. Also present remotely was Tom Gilbertson.

Chairperson Williamson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairperson Williamson read the Mission Statement: Our mission is to encourage the wise use of land and water and to treat these resources in accordance with their needs for protection and improvement.

Motion by Smith, second by Youngkrantz to approve the Agenda. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Smith to approve the Consent Agenda items:

a. Draft Minutes April 16, 2024
b. List of Checks

Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Williamson to approve the Treasurer's Report. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Lee's NRCS Report included: staffing update; no Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) contracts were funded; working on Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) contracts; and working on RCPP applications.

Discussion was held on the completed projects and pictures and information on the projects were reviewed.

Motion by Smith, second by Youngkrantz to approve the 2025 Budget. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Johnson led discussion on the building addition timeline and bid process.

Motion by Smith, second by Youngkrantz to approve the Construction Drawings. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Gilbertson to approve the Bid Publication. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Youngkrantz to approve the Chetomba Creek MDM ISG Proposal. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Smith to approve JD1 and Big Kandiyohi HEI Proposal. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Johnson discussed the Memorandum Unrestricted Fund Balance Policy. No board action was made at this time on the Unrestricted Fund Balance Policy.

Motion by Smith, second by Youngkrantz to approve the Agreement for Services - Central Counties Cooperative. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Smith to approve the Partnership Agreement - Soil Health Acceleration with Renville SWCD. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Youngkrantz to approve the Agreement for Services - Kanati Land Management. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz.

Motion by Youngkrantz, second by Smith to approve Resolution 2024-05 South Fork Agreement to Implement Plan. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Gilbertson to approve Resolution 2024-04 Chippewa Agreement to Implement Plan. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Motion by Smith, second by Youngkrantz to approve Joint Powers Collaborate Agreement for the formation of the South Fork Crow River Watershed Collaborative. Discussion was held. Voting in the affirmative were Gilbertson, Smith, Williamson, and Youngkrantz. Motion carried.

Johnson's Staff Report included: attended various 1W1P meetings and activities; made updates to the 2025 budget; drafted various agreements; working on cost share projects; had meeting with TNC and Pheasants Forever; finalized Willmar Chain of Lakes Study; reviewed ISG and HEI proposals; worked with Engan on shed designs and bid process; staff meetings; attended partnership meeting with NRCS; completed work planning for grants; worked on draft application for Outdoor Heritage Fund; helped at Home Expo booth; worked with staff on Lakes Seminar;

Off Meeting; attended Area 2 Meeting; went to bid opening for shed addition at Engan; working with various landowners on Ag BMP Loans and sent request for more funds; and working with landowners on cost share for well sealing projects.

Youngkrantz attended South Fork 1W1P committee meeting and Area 2 Meeting.

Gilbertson attended North Fork committee meeting.

Friedlein attended the bid opening for the shed addition at Engan.

Chairperson Williamson's report included: signed multiple contracts; attended Area 2 Meeting; attended TAC Meeting; and attended bid open for shed addition at Engan.

Motion by Gilbertson, second by Friedlein to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Steve Friedlein, Secretary — Date 7-16-24

Donnel Williamson, Chairperson — Date 7/16/2024