

Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed District  
Special Meeting #637.1  
March 15, 2023

**Call to Order**

The special meeting was held in the Lac qui Parle County Commissioners' Room, Courthouse, Madison, MN. The meeting was officially called to order by Chairman Darrel Ellefson at 8:30 a.m. **Managers Present:** Chairman Darrel Ellefson, Vice-Chairman John Cornell, Secretary Davie Craigmile, & Treasurer Andrew Weber. **Managers absent:** Publicity Michael Frank. **Staff Present:** Administrator Trudy Hastad, & Park Manager Ron Fjerkenstad. **Others present for interview:** Andrew Lee, Ethan Kach, Kevin Ellefson, Francis Staab, & Michael Frank

The special meeting was called to conduct interviews for the Stone Hill Park Manager position and to also re-approve the no-loss application for Br 8 CD #5, and to authorize signers for the newly awarded No Child Left Inside Grant.

The team conducting the interviews consisted of the Board of Managers, Administrator, & the Park Manager. Administrator Hastad reviewed the interview questions, reminded the Board what could not be asked, and discussed the scoring system. Five candidates were chosen for an interview with three interviewed in the morning and two in the afternoon.

After the interviews were conducted, the interview team reviewed and scored the applicants. The interview team discussed the candidate scores and overall interview. The interview team discussed if they needed second interviews. The interview team was in unanimous agreement with the candidate chosen as scored and didn't feel they needed second interviews. The LQP-YB Watershed Board of managers discussed the salary to offer for the position. Chairman Ellefson called for a motion from the Board of Managers.

Manager John Cornell motioned to offer the Stone Hill Park manager position to Ethan Kack with a starting wage of \$37,000, seconded by Manager Andrew Weber. Upon vote, motion passed 4-0.

Hastad asked the Board to re-approve a No-Loss exemption for Br 8 CD #5 joint application so noticing requirements could be met. Discussion followed.

Manager David Craigmile motioned to re-approve the no-loss exemption for Br 8 CD #5 joint application for noticing requirements, seconded by Manager Andrew Weber. Upon vote, motion passed 4-0.

Hastad reported being approved for the No Child Left Inside Grant, but needed approval to authorize Mitch Enderson and Administrator Hastad to be signers for the grant. Discussion followed.

Manager Andrew Weber motioned to authorized Mitch Enderson to sign for implementing the No Child Left Inside Grant, and Trudy Hastad to sign the grant on behalf of the Watershed District, seconded by Manager David Craigmile. Upon vote, motion passed 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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Darrel Ellefson, Chairman

ATTEST:

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David Craigmile, Secretary

Minutes prepared by Hastad