

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS



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July 10, 2019 MINUTES

The Redwood County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) Board of Supervisors met at 8:30 A.M. in the Conference Room in the Ag Service Center, Redwood Falls, MN.

Present for all or portions of the meeting were Supervisors Jeff Potter, Kristen Tauer, Brian Timm, Joe Plaetz, and Edward Carter. Also present were County Commissioner Dennis Groebner, County Environmental Director/SWCD Administrator Scott Wold, Deputy Administrator Tyler Christensen, Conservation Specialist Kristy Zajac, Water Quality Technician Kurt Mathiowetz, and Resource Specialist Brian Pfarr.

ADOPT AGENDA

On motion by Carter, second by Tauer, the Board unanimously adopted the amended agenda to include item IX: Jeremy Maul, Board Conservationist.

MINUTES

On motion by Plaetz, second by Carter, the Board unanimously approved an amended set of minutes from the June 12, 2019 meeting to include changes to the Public Comment Period.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were presented.

FINANCE REPORTS

The Monthly Checks Written, Cash Asset Accounts, and Deposit reports from the current year were presented by Wold and discussed amongst those present. Upon motion by Timm, second by Carter, the board unanimously approved the reports.

BILLS PAYABLE

On motion by Carter, second by Plaetz the Board unanimously approved the bills payable from June 12, 2019, through July 10, 2019.

BUFFER COST SHARE VOUCHERS

On motion by Plaetz, second by Timm, the Board unanimously approved the vouchers as presented on Attachment A.

EXTENDED FILTER STRIP CONTRACTS

On motion by Carter, second by Plaetz, the Board unanimously approved the contract revisions as presented on Attachment A.

REPORTS:

Gegner: No report presented.

Zajac: No report presented.

Mathiowetz: An update was given on the status of 2019 Water Management Plan Cover Crop Contracts.

Carter: An Area V meeting is planned for July 11, 2019. Wellhead Protection and Wetland projects are underway.

Pfarr: A prevent plant meeting was held on July 2, 2019 in Wabasso, MN. 74 people attended the meeting. He gave an update on the MN Soil Health Coalition and encouraged the Board to join. A Farm Fest cover crop plot is planted. An update was given on the status of 2019 Water Management Plan Cover Crop Contracts

Groeber: No Report.

JEREMY MAUL, BOARD CONSERVATIONIST

Various grant balances were explained and concerns were voiced over grant compliance. A formal grant hold was consequently issued.

OTHER BUSINESS

A. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

Wold presented an update on the Cooperative Agreement Amendment and explained that the District funds were officially transferred to Redwood County, as outlined in the subject agreement.

B. GRANT TRACKING UPDATE

Wold presented an update regarding an improvement to the District's grant tracking system.

C. REDWOOD COUNTY BUFFER LAW COMPLIANCE

Wold presented an update to Redwood County's Buffer compliance. The response rate has been positive for noncompliance letters. As of the present date, there were roughly 100 parcels that did not have a representative respond to the letter.

D. MOTION TO PROCEED WITH WATER PLAN COVER CROP EXPENDITURES

On motion by Carter, second by Plaetz, the Board authorized the District staff to proceed with Cover Crop contracts to be paid out of the 2019 Local Water Management Plan Grant.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular board meeting is planned for August 14, 2019 at 8:30 A.M. in the meeting room of the Ag Service Center in Redwood Falls, MN.

ADJOURNMENT

Potter called the meeting to adjournment at 10:36 A.M.

Board Member

Date

ATTACHMENT A

Buffer Cost Share Flat Rate Vouchers for Approval at July 10, 2019 Board Meeting

Mark Schmiesing	8 acres	\$798.97
George Davis	1.2 acres	\$146.25
Madsen Ent. Inc.	4 acres	\$541.21
Madsen Ag Inc.	9.1 acres	\$1,204.78
Dean and Dale Roiger	1.64 acres	\$165.88
Elizabeth Tempel	2.3 acres	\$297.50
Hoffbeck Seeds, Inc.	.75 acres	\$100.98
Audrey Nelson	.86 acres	\$87.00

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Extended Filter Strip Contract Revisions for Approval

Kurt Netzke	8.8 acres	\$1,760
Glen Netzke	4.4 acres	\$880
Leo Mertens	4.6 acres	\$920
Leo Mertens	2 acres	\$400
John Schueller	5.6 acres	\$1120
Cletus Beranek	4.8 acres	\$960
Dan O'Callaghan	1.5 acres	\$300
Dale Schmidt	.5 acres	\$100
Jim Billmeier	3.1 acres	\$620
Kathleen Wenisch	1.43 acres	\$286