

# SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS



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## MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 8, 2018 MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

The monthly meeting of the Redwood Soil and Water Conservation District was called to order Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. by chair Jeff Potter. The meeting was held in the meeting room of the Ag Service Center in Redwood Falls, MN.

### BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Potter - Chair  
Ed Carter – Vice-Chair  
Brian Timm – PR&

**STAFF:** Marilyn Bernhardson – District Administrator

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER:** Dennis Groebner

**ABSENT:** Kris Tauer and Joe Plaetz

**ADOPT AGENDA:** Motion by Carter, second by Timm to adopt the agenda as sent.  
Motion carried

**MINUTES:** Motion by Timm, second by Carter to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2018 board meeting as sent. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**COST SHARE:** Motion by Cater, second by Timm to approve payment for the completed cost share applications:

### *Buffer Cost Share:*

25-Buffer	Gregory Pankratz	Buffer	\$ 465.00
71-Buffer	Ron Trebesch	Buffer	\$ 362.50

Motion carried

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### Cost Share continued:

Motion by Timm, second by Carter to approve the following requests for cost share assistance:

#### *Buffer:*

81-Buffer	Helen Nyberg	Buffer	\$ 625.00
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#### *WCA Funds to administer Water Management Plan:*

WCA18-10	D & J Bunting	Cover Crops	\$620.00
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#### *Flood Recovery*

25-Flood	Potterosa Farms	638	\$18,702.00
26-Flood	Potterosa Farms	638	\$4,844.65
27-Flood	Ryan Benedict	638	\$4,040.25
28-Flood	Ryan Benedict	638	\$14,429.25

Motion carried with Jeff Potter abstaining.

**BILLS PAYABLE:** Motion by Carter, second by Timm to approve payment of the bills through August 8, 2018 totaling \$35,755.46. Motion carried.

### REPORTS:

Kristy Zajac entered the meeting at 8:40 a.m.

*Conservation Specialist- Zajac* – 1) CREP, CREP and more CREP. 2) Helped out with displays at fair and farmfest.

Zajac left the meeting and Kurt Mathiowetz entered the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

*Water Quality Technician – Mathiowetz* 1) Spending a lot of time on Water Quality Certification Program. 2) Helping with engineering projects when needed.

Mathiowetz left the meeting and Brian Pfarr entered the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

*Resource Specialist – Pfarr* 1) Help plan and attended cultural resources training for district staff in the area. 2) Helped organize and attended a 3-day course on soil health. SWCD staff attended on Monday "How to Speak Farmer". 3) Writing CRP plans. 4) Earth work has been a challenge, Projects are getting done and we have many projects to be completed before freeze up.

Pfarr left the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

*RCRCA:* - Carter/Timm reported on the Executive Committee Meeting held August 2, 2018.

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Reports: (continued)

*NRCS DC* – DC is out of the office, handed out her report.

County Commissioner – May need to raise the levy for 2019 as there are many projects to complete.

*Locally Led Workshop* – Potter reported on the August 2, 2018 Locally Led Workshop sponsored by MASWCD and NRCS.

*Personnel Committee* – Potter reported on the first meeting with the County's Personnel committee and future planned meetings.

**DRAINAGE WATER MANAGEMENT DEMONSTRATION:** There will be a water management demonstration on Thursday, August 16, 2019 from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m.

**MATTING MACHINE:** We have not used the matting machine for 2 seasons. We also have a large supply of matting. Motion by Carter, second by Timm to dispose of the matting machine and mats at the best possible price we are able to get. Motion carried.

**BUDGET:** 2019 budget has been worked on. There are several numbers for the budget that we are not sure about. After meeting on September 4, 2018 should have more information to complete the budget. It will be on the September 12<sup>th</sup> agenda.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next regular board meeting of the Redwood Soil and Water Conservation District will be held on September 12, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Ag Service Center in Redwood Falls, MN.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 9:43 a.m.

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Supervisor