



Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District

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Approved Minutes of the December 12, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

The Meeting of the Waseca County Board of Supervisors that was held at the Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District's Conference Room on December 12, 2019. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Cords at 6:30 pm.

Members Present

Wayne Cords, Chairman
Todd Stencil, Treasurer
Keith Morgan, Secretary
Larry Muff, Member

Staff Present

Mark Schaetzke, District Manager
Tyler Polster, District Technician
Cheri Brummund, Admin Assist

Others Present

De Malterer, Waseca County Commissioner

Review of the December Agenda: Keith Morgan made a motion to approve the Agenda and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes

Review Minutes of the November Meeting: Keith Morgan moved to approve the minutes and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes

Review November Treasurer's Report: Larry Muff made a motion to approve the report and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes

Bills: Todd Stencil made a motion to approve payment of the bills and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes

Old Business:

1. Other: Update on the losco Township Erosion Problem was asked for by Keith Morgan-Mark Schaetzke explained the TSA is looking into the problem and determining possible projects that would correct the problem.

New Business:

1. Approval to pay 2019 Sales Tax (trees) due January 15th approx. \$822.33-Keith Morgan made a motion to approve payment of Sales Tax, Todd Stencil seconded. All-Yes
2. Closing of P17-2842 2017 Cost Share-Keith Morgan made a motion to approve closing of the 2017 Cost Share Grant, Todd Stencil seconded. All-Yes.
3. Closing of P17-1315 2017 SWCD Local Capacity-Todd Stencil made a motion to approve closing 2017 Local Capacity Grant, Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
4. GBERBA Cover Crop Contract-319-TMDL-81-05 completed Dan Roemhildt \$681.40-(Final payment)-Payment is for seed that was planted before last plant dates. Keith Morgan made a motion to approve, Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.

5. GBERBA Ag Water Quality Certification Program Incentive Mark Byron ~~\$300.00~~ \$100.00 (amended at 1/9/2020 board meeting to be \$100.00 not \$300.00-all approvals still stand) Todd Stencel made a motion to approve the Incentive payment, Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.
6. GBERBA County Ditch 19 CWF-MDM-17 Date extension from 12/2019 to 12/2020-Todd Stencel made a motion to grant the extension if accepted by the County Commissioners and to delegate Mark Schaetzke to sign paperwork on this extension only. Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.
7. RIM Work Orders
 - a. WO#81-19-W002-\$2,000.00 entering into-Keith Morgan made a motion to accept WO, Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
 - b. WO#81-18-W001-\$2,000.00 completed-Keith Morgan made a motion to accept completed WO, Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
8. Purchase of Thank you notes for calendar advertisers (36)-Todd Stencel made a motion to approve Cheri Brummund to buy Thank You notes for the calendar advertisers, Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
9. Bad Weather Office Closing Criteria-Mark Schaetzke explained the County Policy on Office Closings and also other area SWCD's Policies. The request for Mark Schaetzke to come up with a written Policy for the Waseca Office-Tabled until next meeting.
10. RIM Invoice for Reimbursement-\$345.17-Larry Muff made a motion to pay the following bills listed below and to submit the Invoice to BWSR for RIM Reimbursement, Todd Stencel seconded. All-Yes.
 - a. Bomgaars for sign hardware \$ 8.57
 - b. Waseca County Highway Dept- Posts \$ 336.60
11. Windshield glass replacement costs-MCIT insurance will pay after \$250.00 deductible-The estimates for No F150 Logo Windshield Replacement are attached to the Meeting packets. Dave's Body Shop of Waseca was the lowest bid and was less than the MCIT deductible. Todd Stencel made a motion to accept Dave's Body Shop Bid, Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
 Also as long as Dave's Body Shop is fixing the windshield, a replacement drivers door mirror, that was damaged by NRCS personnel March 25, 2019 (still waiting on NRCS for payment), should be replaced at the same time. Keith Morgan made the motion to replace mirror at Dave's Body Shop and ask for reimbursement from NRCS, Todd Stencel seconded. All-Yes.
12. CRP Signup Opened December 9, 2019 through February 28, 2020-FYI-noted
13. 12/18 Waseca Produce Safety Rule Grower Training-FYI-noted

Supervisor/Meeting Reports:

1. No reports

Agency Reports/Commissioners:

1. No Reports

Staff Reports:

1. Cheri Brummund reported on the 2020 Calendar should be out by next week (December 18). She has been working on Grants and year end finalizations.
2. Mark Schaetzke handed out a report on the many activities and meetings he has attended in the last month. (Attached to minutes)
3. Tyler Polster reported on the progress of the Non-Compliant Buffers Number being interpreted differently in BuffCat between SWCD and BWSR. The Non-Compliant number is approx. 72 landowners at the present time, but some may have come to be compliant recently. Tyler will be working on finalizing a listing for the County to send out letters and will report back next meeting.

Adjourn: Todd Stencel made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm by Board Chairman, Wayne Cords.

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 6:30 pm.

Upcoming Meetings:

December 18, 2019 Waseca Produce Safety Rule Grower Training-SROC 8:30-5:00-Register at: <https://www.mda.state.mn.us/fsma-produce-safety-rule-grower-training-courses> by December 10, 2019

January 10, 2020 GBERBA Policy Meeting 1:00-Mankato

January 15, 2020 1W1P-Fairbault, 9:00

December Bills:

Clemons Properties	Rent	Jan Payment	\$ 665.00
First National Bank	Tyler-Cheri-Mark H S A (3 cks to open new accts \$283.33 ea)	Jan Payment	\$ 849.99
Sportsman Stop	Truck Gas		\$ 168.15
Waseca County Recorder	Inv#201900000052	Ownership record	\$ 26.00
Mark Schaezke	Voucher #2019 MS8	Hotel/Meals/Mileage	\$ 134.84
			\$ 1,843.98

Manager's report – December 2019

11-18-19 Ag-urban partnership – Mankato

The focus of this meeting was on the difficulty and cost of improving urban wastewater and stormwater and the potential of investing in agricultural soil health type practices instead. Turnout for the day was really good with about 200 in attendance. All attendees had the opportunity to provide input and ideas which will be summarized and distributed later.

11-21-19 – Area VI supervisors and staff meeting – Franklin

26 SWCD staff and 18 supervisors as well as agency representatives were in attendance. Normal business of minutes and treasurer's report was conducted. An attempt at a 2020 budget was made but tabled due to missing figures and expenses exceeding income. We heard timely presentations about cultural resources, customer service, pollinator planning, and water storage. LeAnn Buck (head of MASWCD), John Jaschke (head of BWSR), and Troy Daniel (head of MN NRCS) gave brief updates.

12-4-19 – Cannon 1W1P Planning Work Group – Faribault

We discussed the conditions of BWSR plan approval and steps on meeting those conditions. I felt progress was made and am cautiously optimistic that this effort will get the plan approved. The JPB will be effective Jan 1, 2020 with all parties having signed the agreement. With that comes the need to develop a budget and discuss dues for 2020. Dakota SWCD is willing to continue being the day-to-day contact as well as taking on the responsibility of the fiscal agent. Rice SWCD has also expressed an interest in considering these duties. Earliest plan approval would be January 2020 and earliest implementation \$ would be summer of 2020. The current goal is the have conditions met by Dec 16th for review and to get on the January 22nd BWSR Board Meeting.

12-9&10-19 MASWCD convention – Bloomington

The convention was well attended with approximately 500 in attendance for the Outstanding conservationist luncheon. The sessions were good and offered a variety of topics and speakers. I had nominated the Russell's for the area award, but they were beat out by very worthy conservationists from Faribault County who ended up winning the state award.

12-12-19 Iosco Creek and Lake Elysian - Annex

The county has hired a consultant to assist with standards and specifications. Letters were sent out to affected property owners. Several responses were received asking for assistance with tree removal, tree pruning, stump removal, seeding, and shoreline restoration/stabilization. Depending on the extent of some of the projects, requests will likely exceed available funds. Staff met to discuss steps forward and prioritization.

Le Sueur Civic Engagement

A meeting is set for Dec 13th to see status of projects. Waseca SWCD is the fiscal agent for the grant. This means we will be collecting invoices and project status from all the partners in January and submitting a semi-annual report to MPCA for reimbursement. When we receive the funds, we would then be responsible to reimburse the partners.