



## **Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District**

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Approved Minutes of the March 11, 2019 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

The Meeting of the Waseca County Board of Supervisors was held at the Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District's Conference Room on March 11, 2019. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Cords at 6:45 pm.

### **Members Present**

Wayne Cords, Chairman  
Scott Hildebrandt, Vice Chairman  
Todd Stencel, Treasurer  
Jessie Shaffer, Secretary  
Keith Morgan, Member

### **Staff Present**

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

### **Others Present**

Reginald Liddell, NRCS District Conservationist, Waseca/Blue Earth

**Oath of Office-**Jessie Shaffer took the Oath of Office.

**Review of the March Agenda:** Scott Hildebrandt made a motion to approve the Agenda and Todd Stencel seconded. All-Yes

**Review Minutes of the February Meeting:** Todd Stencel moved to approve the minutes and Scott Hildebrandt seconded. All-Yes

**Review February Treasurer's Report:** Todd Stencel made a motion to approve the Report and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes

**Bills:** Scott Hildebrandt made a motion to approve payment of the bills and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes

### **Old Business:**

1. 1W1P JPA Draft-Mark Schaetzke explained the Draft Agreement. Keith Morgan made a motion to accept the Agreement and Jessie Shaffer seconded. All-Yes.
2. FY2019 SWCD Local Capacity and Buffer Law Implementation Amendment-needs signature.
  - a. Local Capacity \$103,870.00
  - b. Buffer Law \$40,000.00

Todd Stencel made a motion to approve and sign the amendment and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.

### **New Business:**

1. Staff Reviews-The Personnel Committee, Scott Hildebrandt and Wayne Cords did the Staff reviews prior to the meeting. The recommendation to give a 2% COLA raise to be effective April 1, 2019. The Steps increase would be evaluated at the July Meeting, taking into consideration Anniversary dates. Jessie Shaffer made a motion to approve and Keith Morgan seconded it. All-Yes.
2. Mn Pay Equity Report-Cheri Brummund explained the Equity Report that is a State requirement every 3 years. The report has been completed and needs approval before submitting. Scott Hildebrandt made a motion to accept and Todd Stencil seconded it. All-Yes.
3. Newsletter-Wayne Cords suggested more information on Soil Health, with that addition it is okay to publish on Website. -no voted needed.
4. Walk-In Access Program-Tyler Polster explained the Walk In Access stats in Waseca County and Mark Schaetzke explained the program to be \$250.00 for the SWCD for each contract signed. Todd Stencil made a motion to continue with the program and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.
5. SWCD Levy Authority-Mark Schaetzke introduced the SWCD Levy Authority effort that was discussed at the Legislative Days he attended. Noted
6. Buffer Outreach-Short discussion on reaching out to landowners on Buffer Laws and Compliances. Letters that are personalized and not a carbon copy are preferred by many with hand written envelopes. Noted

### **Supervisor/Meeting Reports:**

1. Todd Stencil reported on the Day at the Capital, which he attended on behalf of his Township, stating that it was very informative and an educational experience.
2. Jessie Shaffer reported on the FEMA Meeting she attended on Flood Planes and Zones. She also attended the Cover Crops 101 Meeting and responded with a praise for the speakers on giving a great deal of information. Along with those meetings, Jessie also reported on the MN River Congress Meeting and GBERBA Meetings she has attended.
3. Keith Morgan requested information from Tyler Polster on the Water Sampling Data that has been collected and if Haley Byron maybe able to attend a future meeting with more information.

### **Agency Reports:**

1. Reggie Liddell, Waseca/Blue Earth NRCS District Conservationist, explained some of the plans and programs available to landowners. He has been working with two Waseca County Landowners on EQIP. He also suggested a joint program workshop with SWCD as they have in Blue Earth County.

### **Staff Reports:**

1. Mark Schaetzke gave a brief report on Le Sueur Cycle II Meeting on proposed projects for Waseca County such as sub watershed meetings, soil health and outreach-partnering with Blue Earth County SWCD. He also spoke on the Legislative Day priorities such as Capacity Funding, Levy Authority, and SWCD Statute Consolidation. The GBERBA meeting he has attended, stating that GBERBA applied for 319 funding for cover crops with project relating to drainage the must be completed before August to complete an open grant.
2. Tyler Polster reported on the Tree Open House, stating that the attendance was better than last year. 3587 trees/shrubs and 11 wildflower packs sold this spring. Last year sales were 3693 trees/shrubs and 13 wildflower packs. Tyler also reported on the problems on the Snake Trail with culverts.

**Adjourn:** Wayne Cords adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.

**Next Board Meeting:** Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

**Upcoming Meetings:**

1. March 13, 2019-1W1P Policy Meeting, 9:00, Rice County Government Center, 320 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW, Faribault, MN
2. March 14, 2019-Finding Profits in Cover Crops, 9:30-2:30, American Legion, 97 S. Park Ave, Le Center, MN
3. March 21, 2019-Profitable Farming in a Changing Climate, 8:00-3:00, VFW, 135 Oakdale St, Owatonna, MN
4. April 24, 2019-1W1P Public Hearing, 9:00, Rice County Government Center, 320 3<sup>rd</sup> St NW, Faribault, MN

**March Bills:**

Clemons Properties	Rent	April Payment	\$ 665.00
Community Bank of Owatonna	Tyler-Cheri-Mark H S A	April Payment	\$ 849.99
Tyler Polster	Meals	Voucher #2019 TP1	\$ 25.23
Innovative Office Solutions	Office Supplies	Inv# IN2432976	\$ 74.97
Mark Schaetzke	Meals-Motel	Voucher #2019 MS2	\$ 159.83
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ 1,775.02