



Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District

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Approved Meeting Minutes for the October 14, 2021.

The Meeting of the Waseca County Board of Supervisors that was held at the Waseca County Community Meeting Room, 300 North State Street, Waseca. 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 Schaezke, District Manager
Tyler Polster, District Technician
Cheri Brummund, Admin Asst

Others Present

Ciara Ahrens, Team Lead NRCS

Agenda

Review of October Agenda-Todd Stencil made a motion to approve agenda and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.

Consent Agenda

1. September Minutes
2. Treasurers Report
3. Approval of Bills
4. Minnesota Soil Health Coalition membership \$25
5. Other-None

Todd Stencil made a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.

Old Business:

1. Other-None

New Business:

1. MASWCD Resolution and Ballots-noted-all supervisors are to email ballots to Cheri before Nov 1.
2. Audit Draft-Larry Muff made a motion to approve the Audit Draft and Todd Stencil seconded. All-Yes
3. Audit-Financial Statement Letter for Peterson-Todd Stencil made a motion to approve the letter and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes
4. P22-6253 2022 Buffer Law (\$17,000) Grant Agreement Approval-Todd Stencil made a motion to approve the Grant Agreement and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
5. P22-6163 2022 Local Capacity Svcs (\$118,922)-Todd Stencil made a motion to approve the Grant Agreement and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
6. P22-6163 2022 Local Capacity Work Plan-Todd Stencil made a motion to approve the Work Plan designations and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.
7. MOSH Grant Contract and Statement of Work-Larry Muff made a motion to accept and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.

8. Riparian Funds Cost Share #2021-4, Wayne Cords, Flat Rate 54 Ac @ \$40/A=\$2,160 – Todd Stencel made a motion to approve and Keith Morgan seconded. Larry-Yes, Todd-Yes, Keith-Yes with Wayne Cords abstaining. Motion passed.
9. Change of November meeting date? Todd Stencel made a motion to change meeting from November 11 (Veteran's Day) to Wednesday, November 10 at 6:30 pm. Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes
10. Other-Mark Schaetzke added a request to maybe attend Manager Meeting in November. Keith Morgan made a motion to approve motel & meal expenses and Todd Stencel seconded. All-Yes.

Supervisor/Meeting Reports:

Larry Muff gave report on Le Sueur 1W1P Kickoff Meeting and the SCTS call in meeting he participated in.

Keith Morgan reported on the Cannon 1W1P Meeting he attended.

Todd Stencel reported on the Le Sueur 1W1P Kickoff Meeting and the participants he spoke with.

Wayne Cords reported he attended the Le Sueur 1W1P Kickoff Meeting and also the Area VI Meeting in New Ulm.

Agency Reports/Commissioners:

Ciara Ahrens mentioned that she has been getting things wrapped up with landowners on projects and that NRCS Offices were still at 25% capacity with doors still closed to public.

Staff Reports:

Cheri Brummund reported that she has been working on the Coloring Books delivered to schools with class instruction lists for teachers due to no admittance in schools yet, Website Updating and working on Newsletter, Financial Information to Auditor, and day to day duties.

Tyler Polster reported on the tree order supply maybe hard to get some types in the quantities that we have in the past, due to the high harvest numbers this last spring. He also reported on the Riparian work he has been doing and attending the Le Sueur 1W1P Kickoff Meeting.

Mark highlighted some items on his printed report.

Adjourn:

Larry Muff made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm by Board Chairman, Wayne Cords.

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

Upcoming events:

October 15 GBERBA Executive Bd Mtg 12:30

October 20 GBERBA Tech Meeting – 9:30 Mankato

October 22 LeSueur 1W1P Policy Meeting 10:00 Mankato (Blue Earth County)

October 26-28 BWSR Academy Training Sessions 8-12 daily

November 9-10 SWCD & WD Manager Meeting – Baxter MN

October Bills:

First National Bank	Tyler-Cheri-Mark H S A (\$283.33 ea)		\$ 849.99
Bock's	Truck Gas		\$ 92.01
Peak Computers	Annual Website Hosting Fee	Inv#9220	\$ 264.00
Cheri Brummund	Mileage to Area Mtg & schools	Voucher 2021 CB2	\$ 93.02
Waseca County	3rd qtr insurance		\$ 9,250.38
Supervisor Vouchers	3rd qtr Vouchers		\$ 1,438.24
Mark Schaetzke	Mileage to Area Mtg	Voucher 2021 MS3	\$ 51.52
			\$ 12,039.16

October 2021 Manager's Report

WCA Administration

Haley returned to work at the end of September and has resumed her WCA duties. I recorded 68.5 hours of effort on two violations, two applications, and several inquiries. This expense will be billed to the county as identified in the agreement between the SWCD and County. Time that I normally would have spent on WCA as a SWCD employee is not included in this. Note that two restoration orders were sent out and we are waiting for the landowners to appeal, restore, or do an after the fact application.

9-16-21 – LS Kickoff – St. Olaf Park

The kickoff meeting for the LS 1W1P went well in my opinion. Good weather (windy), good turnout (50-60), and very good discussion. Kim and WRC are summarizing the information collected. I have not heard how many responses the online survey collected.

9-22-21 GBERBA Tech - webex

Normal business of updates and financials. Scott Salsbury and Tim Grant from Blue Earth County did a very interesting presentation on the efforts they take to identify and properly seal unused wells. Methods include air photo review, old maps, old well records, and metal detecting.

10-12-21 – LS 1W1P Steering Team - Zoom

Our main task was trying to identify additional people that could participate in the Technical Advisory Committee or provide feedback by attending meetings where their area of expertise was the subject. The team drafted a good list and will be part of the next Policy Meeting. Next steps include reviewing public input and drafting issue statements.