



Waseca Soil and Water Conservation District

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Approved minutes of the Waseca SWCD Board of Supervisors Meeting September 8, 2022

The Meeting of the Waseca County Board of Supervisors that was held at the Waseca County SWCD Office Area, 300 North State Street, Waseca. The September 8, 2022 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
Taylor Pottter, District Technician
Cheri Brummund, Admin Asst

Others Present

DeAnne Malterer, Waseca County Commissioner
Mallory Malecek, NRCS
Lee Nachreiner, NRCS
Ciara Ahrens, NRCS-CST Lead (on phone)

September Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

1. August Minutes
2. Treasurers Report
3. Approval of Bills
4. Other

Larry Muff made a motion to approve the consent agenda and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.

Old Business:

1. Lidar Request-More information-Larry Muff made a motion to support the idea of the Lidar Project with the clause of discussing funding at a later date when more accurate information was available. Wayne Cords seconded. All-Yes.
2. 81-04-92-01 Revision-Todd Stencil made a motion to approve revision recommendation and Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes
3. Other

New Business:

1. Approval of Disbursement of Funds for Le Sueur 1W1P Grant (July Bills):

Inv Date	Invoice #	Invoice Amount	10% Payment withheld	Disbursement Amount	Partner
July 2022					
7/31/2022	Inv#84221	\$ 1,935.00	\$ 193.50	\$ 1,741.50	ISG
7/12/2022	6-2022-1W1P CE	\$ 5,936.97		\$ 5,936.97	WRC-MSU-Consultant
8/11/2022	7-2022-WSWCD	\$ 378.66		\$ 378.66	Waseca SWCD

Todd Stencel made a motion to approve disbursement, Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes

2. Approval of Distribution of LSCE (Le Sueur Civic Engagement) funds (1st half 2022):

Date	Deposit Amount	Disbursed Amount	Balance	Invoice #	Name
1st Half 2022					
8/11/2022	\$ 29,242.19		\$ 29,242.19		MPCA Deposit
7/15/2022		\$ 3,505.63	\$ 25,736.56	22-01-BEC	Blue Earth County
6/30/2022		\$ 5,000.00	\$ 20,736.56	22-1-FASWCD	Faribault SWCD
6/30/2022		\$ 1,156.63	\$ 19,579.93	22-1-FRSWCD	Freeborn SWCD
7/1/2022		\$ 10,861.57	\$ 8,718.36	22-1-WSWCD	Waseca SWCD
7/13/2022		\$ 8,718.36	\$ (0.00)	22-1-LSCE	Minnesota State University, Mkto

Larry Muff made a motion to approve disburse payments, Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.

3. BWSR Soil Health Cost Share Grant-Noted
4. GBERBA 81-06-11 Certification Incentive \$300.00 Mn Ag Water Quality Cert Program-Todd Stencel made a motion to approve and Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.
5. Riparian Funds Application 2022-4 Cancellation of Cover Crop Contract 29.9 Acres \$1196.00-Todd Stencel made a motion to approve recommendation of contract cancellation, Larry Muff seconded. All-Yes.
6. Riparian Funds Application 2022-5 Cover Crop 64.1 Acres \$2564.00-Todd Stencel made a motion to approve recommendation, Keith Morgan seconded. All-Yes.
7. Riparian Funds Application 2022-6 Cover Crop 76 Acres \$3040.00-Keith Morgan made a motion to approve recommendation, Todd Stencel seconded. All-Yes.
8. BWSR Academy-October 25-27-Cragan's Resort, Brainerd - Registration is set to open September 12 Mark, Taylor, Cheri to attend. Approx cost – BWSR \$450 + Lodging \$1050 = \$1500 total + meals not covered by registration. Keith Morgan made a motion to approve staff to attend, Todd Stencel seconded. All-Yes.
9. Preview of 2023 Calendar-suggestions, additions or changes-changes were suggested on featuring the cover to acknowledge the 75th Year and also highlighting August or September as the beginning of the SWCD.
10. Any interest in setting a date for a 75th open house in September 2023, to get it on the calendar? Discussion on setting a date during the coming year for an open house.
11. FYI-Annual MASWCD 85th Annual Convention will be December 13-14 at DoubleTree Hotel, Bloomington-noted
12. FYI-September 27-BWSR File Review of Cost Share Grants, 1W1P, Capacity Grants-noted
13. Other
14. Other

Supervisor Reports:

1. Larry Muff spoke on the Le Sueur 1W1P Policy Meetings. He expressed that the SWCD should be interested in offering to be fiscal agent for the Le Sueur 1W1P. Larry Muff then made a motion to that the Waseca SWCD is expressing interest in becoming the Fiscal Coordinator for the Le Sueur 1W1P, Todd Stencil seconded. Wayne Cords expressed concern over the financial liability of the position. Vote 2 Yes -1 No – 1 Undecided. Motion passed.

County Commissioners: None

Agency Reports:

1. Ciara Ahrens announced that she would be leaving Minnesota NRCS Customer Service Team Lead and taking a position with Wisconsin NRCS as an Area Program Specialist.

Staff Reports:

1. Taylor Piotter reported that he has been working on RIM Inspections and also doing some training and attending Soil Health Workshops.
2. Mark Schaetzke has a report that is attached.
3. Cheri Brummund reported on working on BWSR paperwork and the Calendar besides other items of business.

Adjourn –Todd Stencil made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Wayne Cords seconded. All-Yes. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 by Chairman Wayne Cords.

Next Board Meeting Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

Upcoming Meetings:

- September 20 TSA Blue Earth County SWCD 10:00 am
- September 22 LS 1W1P Policy Waseca Community Meeting Room 9:00 am
- September 23 GBERBA Policy Meeting-TBD 9:30 am
- October 5 Cannon 1W1PJPB Rice County Fairgrounds, 9:00 am
- November 15 MASWCD Area VI Meeting-SROC 8:30 Registration 9:00-2:00 Meeting

September Bills:

First National Bank	Taylor-Cheri-Mark H S A (\$300.00 ea)		\$ 900.00
Bock's	Truck Gas		\$ 162.50
Innovative Office	File boxes		\$ 58.45
Patton, Hoversten & Berg	81-32-01-01 title abstract inv# 07840	reimbursable RIM	\$ 516.00
			\$ 1,636.95

Manager's Report – Sept 2022

Aug 18 – Cargill Soil field day – SROC

Attended and staffed an information booth with Faribault SWCD. Attendance around 60 with a few local producers I recognized. Presentations on carbon markets, SROC research, soil pit, rainfall simulator, and farmer panel. Event was well planned and provided good information. SROC staff did a great job on the tour.

Aug 24 - GBERBA tech

Big news was that GBERBA's CWF application for soil health was selected for funding by BWSR. Application was for \$312,000 and was ranked third. Grant had to have a drinking water focus so Drinking Water Supply Management Areas were targeted. More info to be developed in terms of policy, eligibility, and payment rates. Watonwan grants underwent some workplan budget shifts and some minor policy shifts.

LS 1W1P

Moving toward draft plan and final edits of implementation table. Anticipated draft plan available in October. Policy committee intends on making a decision on plan administration in Sept. Policy meetings have had good attendance.

Cannon 1W1P

Staff discussed ongoing efforts of the group including PTMAPP updates, septic inventory, and lake monitoring. Waseca staff will be conducting an inventory of Toner's Lake in October for part of this effort. Staff are putting together a draft workplan for the next round of funding. Workplan currently includes \$300,000 for a water storage project in Le Sueur County. Two of the three soil health events were completed in the last month. Turnout and quality of presentations were good.