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July 21, 2025

WADENA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Regular Monthly Board Meeting to be held at 7:30 a.m.

in person at Wadena Sheriff Building • 500 Birch Ave NW • Wadena, MN (at the fairgrounds)

Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order by Chairperson Tom Schulz
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Approve the last month's Board Meeting Minutes
4. Treasurer's Report
 - ◆ CD renewal
5. Bills Paid and Bills Payable
6. Cost Share
7. County Commissioner's Report
8. District Manager's Report
9. District Conservationist's Report
10. Other Agency Reports

OLD BUSINESS

11. Forestry Update
12. TSA Update

NEW BUSINESS

13. Meetings and Trainings
14. Public Comments
15. Adjourn



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Date	Meeting
7/21/2025	Wadena SWCD Board Meeting
8/8/2025	Nitrate Clinic – Verndale 10am – 2pm
8/18/2025	Wadena SWCD Board Meeting
8/20/2025	EOT SWCD Board Meeting
8/21/2025	Nitrate Clinic – Menahga 10am – 2pm



Minutes from June 16, 2025, Board Meeting

The regular monthly board meeting of the Wadena Soil and Water Conservation District was held at 7:30 a.m. in person at the Sheriff's Building at the fairgrounds.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Tom Schulz at 7:30 a.m.

Members Present:

Chair: Tom Schulz
Vice Chair: Ken Berg
Treasurer: Jerry Kern
Public Relations: Bruce Juntunen

Members Absent:

Secretary: Brett Dailey

Others Present:

County Commissioner: Murlyn Kreklau
BWSR Board Conservationist: Pete Waller
NRCS District Conservationist: Ivan Reinke
District Manager: Darren Newville
Assistant District Manager: Anne Oldakowski
Admin Secretary: Chantal Tougas

Adopt Agenda: Motion made by Jerry Kern, second by Ken Berg to adopt the agenda as presented. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Approved Board Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Bruce Juntunen to approve last month's Board Meeting Minutes. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Bruce Juntunen, second by Jerry Kern, to approve the Treasurer's Report. Opposed: none, motion carried. Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Jerry Kern to re-invest the CD that is maturing on June 20, 2025, for another 6 months. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Bills Paid and Bills Payable: Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Bruce Juntunen to approve the Bills Paid and Bills Payable as presented. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Cost Share:

Crow Wing WBIF Cost Share C25-0310:

8-C25-0310-01; Etter Farms LCC; is requesting first year payment for strip tillage of \$2,407.50. This is a 3-year contract on 107 acres, with a flat rate of \$22.50/acre/year for a total cost of \$7,222.50, in Blueberry Township, sections 20 and 24. Motion made by Bruce Juntunen, second by Jerry Kern to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

8-C25-0310-03; Craig West; Authorization to encumber funds for a forest stewardship plan, with a total cost of \$470.00, cost share payment not to exceed \$235.00 or 50%, whichever is less in Meadow Township, section 7.

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(45 acres, plan by Joel Holden) Motion made by Bruce Juntunen, second by Ken Berg to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

2025 Soil Health P25-0561:

P25-0561-01; Dennis Carlson; Requesting final payment for a conservation cover practice. The total cost was \$1,044.00 with cost share of \$783.00 which is 75%. Motion made by Bruce Juntunen, second by Ken Berg to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

P25-0561-03; Jackie Trushenski; Requesting final payment for a tree and shrub establishment practice. The total cost was \$1,457.50 with cost share of \$1,093.13 which is 75%. Motion made by Jerry Kern, second by Ken Berg to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

2024 Conservation Contracts P24-0302:

P24-0302-03; Lloyd Lanz; Requesting final payment for a well sealing. The total cost was \$260.00 with cost share of \$195.00 which is 75%. Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Tom Schulz to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

County Commissioner's Report:

- The 2026 budget is a priority.
- Equalization meeting tonight.
- County Road 10 graveling project is underway.

District Manager's Report: Read by Darren

NRCS District Conservationist's Report: read by Ivan.

Other Agency Reports: Pete Waller gave a legislative update.

Forestry Update: SFIA is cut by 10%. It sounds like you may be able to get out of that if you would choose to.

TSA 8 Report: nothing to report.

Meetings/Trainings: Stewardship Summit coming up. Managers Cohort is in the planning process.

Fixed Assets: Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Bruce Juntunen to raise the Fixed Asset threshold from \$1,000 to \$5,000, retroactive to January 1, 2025, per advice of our auditor. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Public Comments: none.

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 8:18 a.m.

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