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August 19, 2024

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 Bruce Juntunen
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Approve the last month's Board Meeting Minutes
4. Treasurer's Report
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. Crow Wing 1W1P
13. TSA Update

NEW BUSINESS

14. Meetings and Trainings
15. Agreement for Services, Leaf Wing Redeye River WBIF
16. WCA – Replacement Plan – Action Item
17. Resolution for SWCD Aid Guidelines
18. Public Comments
19. Adjourn



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Date	Meeting
8/5/2024	Crow Wing Citizens Advisory Meeting – Staples
8/7/2024	Crow Wing TAC Meeting - Staples
8/13/2024	Wadena County Board Work Meeting – Crow Wing Watershed
8/19/2024	Wadena SWCD Board Meeting
8/20/2004	Wadena County Board – Budget Request Overview
8/21/2024	EOT SWCD Board Meeting
8/30/2024	CLC Field Day – CLC Staples Campus
9/2/2024	Labor Day Holiday
9/4/2024	Area 8 Tour – Starts in Staples
9/5/2024	Area 8 Meeting - Staples
9/12/2024	Joint County/SWCD Board Tour – Starts in Wadena
9/16/2024	Wadena Board Meeting
9/18/2024	EOT Board Meeting
10/14/2024	Columbus/Indigenous Peoples Day Holiday
10/16/2024	EOT Board Meeting
10/18/2024	Wadena SWCD Board Meeting
10/29-31/2024	BWSR Academy - Baxter
12/2-4/2024	MASWCD Annual Convention - Bloomington



Minutes from the July 15, 2024, 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 Bruce Juntunen at 7:30 a.m.

Members Present:

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

Others Present:

County Commissioner: Murlyn Kreklau
BWSR Board Conservationist: Pete Waller
NRCS District Conservationist: Ivan Reinke
EOT SWCD Liaison: Bruce Albright
District Manager: Darren Newville
Assistant District Manager: Anne Oldakowski
Administrative Secretary: Chantal Tougas

Adopt Agenda: Motion made by Brett Dailey, second by Tom Schulz to adopt the agenda as presented with the following addition: under 12. Add the Long Prairie WBIF and 17. Tom for Public Comments. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Approve Board Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Ken Bery, second by Tom Schulz to approve last month's Board Meeting Minutes. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Jerry Kern, second by Brett Dailey to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Opposed: none, motion carried.

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

Cost Share

P22-5742-01; Callahan, Stacy; Authorization to amend contract due to a slight increase in costs to install the project, with a total cost of \$564.00, cost-share payment not to exceed \$423.00 or 75%, whichever is less in Aldrich Township, section 26. Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Brett Dailey to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

P22-5742-01; Callahan, Stacy; Authorization to approve payment for a field windbreak, with a total cost of \$564.00, cost-share payment not to exceed \$423.00 or 75%, whichever is less in Aldrich Township, section 26. Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Jerry Kern to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

The Wadena Soil & Water Conservation District seeks to achieve and maintain the highest quality and quantity of natural resources possible through wise stewardship for now and the future of human and financial means available.

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County Commissioner's Report: Wadena County has hired someone for Determination of Ditches. There will be a public hearing in the next 30 days. Land transfers are in progress and should be completed over the next year. This will relieve the townships.

District Manager's Report: Read by Darren

NRCS District Conservationist's Report:

- EQIP – One contract to finish up with signatures. New applications are still coming in.
- CTA – Plenty of new interest in projects. Grazing, Irrigation, Tree plantings, Pollinator Habitat, etc. Ag Waste Closure.
- CSP – 1 application left to obligate. Meeting with applicants for final fixes and approvals.
- CRP – Plans and Status Reviews
- 1-26 requests from FSA Acreage Certification
- Wadena County Farmers Union July 31
- Grazing Workshop September 26-27, 2024

Other Agency Reports: BWSR Board Conservationist Pete Waller: Legislative Summary was discussed.

Forestry Update: There is a meeting scheduled for this Thursday. Review of Jason Weinerman's report of the last meeting is on the agenda. There will be a tour of the Savanna pallet plant.

Crow Wing 1W1P: A presentation overview of the Crow Wing 1W1P was presented. Motion made by Tom Schulz, second by Ken Berg to volunteer to be the Fiscal Agent for this grant. Opposed: none, motion carried. Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Tom Schulz to approve Todd County to be the Fiscal Agent for the Long Prairie WBIF Grant. Opposed: none, motion carried.

TSA 8 Report: The new system is working well, and money seems to be flowing to the districts like it should be.

Meetings/Trainings:

- The Area VIII Tour is set for September 26-27, 2024. There will also be a County Commissioner/SWCD Joint Tour with the date yet to be determined.

2025 Draft Budget: Motion made by Brett Dailey, second by Tom Schulz to approve the proposed 2025 budget. Opposed: none, motion carried.

2024 MASWCD Awards Nominations: Motion made by Tom Schulz, second by Brett Dailey to nominate Brad Kempe for the Conservation Cooperator Award. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Public Comments: Tom Schulz brought up the Soil Health Coalition in Redwood Falls on July 16-17, 2024, if anyone wanted to attend. Motion made by Ken Berg, second by Tom Schulz to update Anne's NRCS computer. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.