

Goodhue County SWCD District Regular Board Meeting

Monday – August 26th 2024

5:30 PM

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room
104 East 3rd Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

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Minutes

I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance *Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Chair Christopher Hinck*

| SWCD Supervisors Present | SWCD Staff Present | Others Present |
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| <i>In Person:</i> | <i>In Person:</i> | <i>In Person:</i> |
| <i>Christopher Hinck – Chair</i> | <i>Beau Kennedy - District Manager</i> | |
| <i>Ed McNamara – Vice Chair</i> | <i>Delane Krier – Administrative Assistant</i> | |
| <i>Mark Comstock - Treasurer</i> | | |
| <i>John Beck - Reporter</i> | | |
| <i>Don Schliep - Secretary</i> | | |
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II. Approval of the Agenda

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the Agenda as presented. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

III. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Flat Rate Cost Share Voucher #23SoilHealth-01 for Dan and Chelsea Lubhan for Establishing a Shelterbelt for \$573.00 using 2023 Soil Health Funds

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

IV. Secretary's Report

- a. Approve July 22nd 2024 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Comstock, seconded by McNamara to approve the July 22nd 2024 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

VI. Action Items

- a. Action on Cost Share Contract #24-GC-06 for Dicke Farms for Constructing a Grassed Waterway in Sec 35 of Vasa TWP at 85% not to exceed \$12,716.00 using Cannon River WBIF.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the Cost Share Contract #24-GC-06 for Dicke Farms for Constructing a Grassed Waterway in Sec 35 of Vasa TWP at 85% not to exceed \$12,716.00 using Cannon River WBIF. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- b. Action on Cost Share Contract #24-GC-07 for Gary Hinrichs for Constructing a Grassed Waterway in Sec 21 of Featherstone TWP at 75% not to exceed \$14,866.88 using Cannon River WBIF.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Cost Share Contract #24-GC-07 for Gary Hinrichs for Constructing a Grassed Waterway in Sec 21 of Featherstone TWP at 75% not to exceed \$14,866.88 using Cannon River WBIF. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- c. Action on Cost Share Contract #24-GC-08 for Lindstrom Farms LLC for Constructing a Grade Stabilization Structure in Sec 32 of Vasa(N) TWP at 75% not to exceed \$14,632.50 using Cannon River WBIF.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the Cost Share Contract #24-GC-08 for Lindstrom Farms LLC for Constructing a Grade Stabilization Structure in Sec 32 of Vasa (N) TWP at 75% not to exceed \$14,632.50 using Cannon River WBIF. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- d. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-03 for Rostad Farms LLP for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 14/15 of Wanamingo TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.

Motioned by Comstock, seconded by McNamara to approve the Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-03 for Rostad Farms LLP for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 14/15 of Wanamingo TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- e. Action on Cost Share Contract #24WAGZ-GC-07 for Guy Heins for Constructing 2 Grade Stabilization Structures in Sec. 4 of Florence TWP at 90% not to exceed \$28,978.20 using Zumbro WBIF.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the Cost Share Contract #24WAGZ-GC-07 for Guy Heins for Constructing 2 Grade Stabilization Structures in Sec. 4 of Florence TWP at 90% not to exceed \$28,978.20 using Zumbro WBIF. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- f. Action on MDH Funding Options for Goodhue DWSMA Soil Health Practices. Payments to be invoiced to the City of Goodhue in December 2024.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the MDH Funding Options for Goodhue DWSMA Soil Health Practices. Payments to be invoiced to the City of Goodhue in December 2024. An Amendment was made by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the MDH Funding DWSMA Soil Health participants on a per acre basis utilizing all \$7,000 MDH funds on a one-time basis. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Amendment carried. Original Motion Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- g. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024WAGZ_GC_crp-1 for Jim Nelson; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024WAGZ_GC_crp-1 for Jim Nelson; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- h. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-04 for Tom Bryan for implementing 17 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 31 in the City of Red Wing with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$2,040 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.

Motioned by Comstock, seconded by McNamara to approve the Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-04 for Tom Bryan for implementing 17 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 31 in the City of Red Wing with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$2,040 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

VII. Reports

- a. NRCS Report:

NRCS Rep not present at meeting, report presented by B.Kennedy (see attached)

- b. District Manager's

Goodhue DWSMA / Clean Water Council / Zumbo 1W1P / Cannon 1W1P / Nitrates Meeting / Al Travis Show / Truck Update / Staff Event / TSA7

- c. Staff Reports

D.Krier: Report on the AgBMP Loan Program

- d. Supervisor's Activity Report

Supervisors gave their reports of meetings attended. Comstock: 8/8/24 County Board Meeting @ Co.Fair. Hinck: 8/8/24 County Board Meeting @ Co.Fair. McNamara: Strip-Till Conference. Schliep: 8/8/24 County Board Meeting @ Co.Fair.

- e. Other

VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables

- a. Approve the July 2024 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual)

Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the July 2024 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual). Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

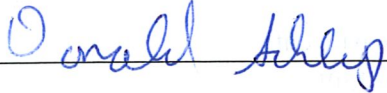
- b. Approve August 2024 Accounts Payable

Motioned by Comstock, seconded by McNamara to approve the August 2024 Accounts Payable. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

IX. Adjournment

*Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep.
Opposed: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 6:39 pm.*

Respectfully submitted



Don Schliep

Upcoming Events

WAGZ Policy Meeting – August 29th 10am Oxbow Park

Labor Day Holiday– September 2nd

Goodhue SWCD September Bd Meeting – Sept 23rd @ 530pm

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the change of Sept 23rd meeting to 4:00 pm. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

NRCS District Conservationist Report

08/26/2024

Dylan Bartles is the acting Team Lead for up to 120 days as of August 26th 2024.

CSP (Conservation Stewardship Program)

- 19 Active contracts worth roughly **737K** cost share remaining to be paid out
- 2 FY24 CSP Classic Application in Approved status worth roughly 150K
- 2 FY25 Classic applications waiting for the signup to be entered.

EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentive Program)

- 32 Active EQIP contracts worth roughly **670K** cost share remaining to be paid out
- All FY24 applications have been obligated
- 13 Applications in pending status
- FY25 EQIP signup deadline Sept. 6th.

RCPP18 (Regional Conservation Partnership Program)

Land Management Fund through MAWQCP sign up is applicable in this county.

- 0 Active contracts
- 0 Applications submitted
- FY25 Sign up deadline unannounced

CRP (Conservation Reserve Program)

- 22 plans needing signature
- 42 FY26 expiring Review checks needing done.

WBP (Water Bank Program)

- Sign up opened 5/23/24
- Sign up deadline June 17 2024
- No Applications submitted