

**Goodhue County SWCD District Regular Board Meeting**

Monday – October 28<sup>th</sup> 2024

**5:30 PM**

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room  
104 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

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Meeting ID: 277 923 907 909

Passcode: rjSpRP

**Minutes**

**I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance** *Meeting called to order at 5:31 pm by Chair Christopher Hinck*

SWCD Supervisors Present	SWCD Staff Present	Others Present
<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>
Christopher Hinck – Chair	Beau Kennedy - District Manager	John Benjamin (NRCS)
Mark Comstock - Treasurer	Delane Krier – Administrative Assistant	Dave Copeland (BWSR)
John Beck - Reporter		
Don Schliep - Secretary		
<b>Not in attendance</b>		
Ed McNamara – Vice Chair		

**II. Approval of the Agenda**

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

**III. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve 2024 Quarter #3 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2450 to Olmsted County SWCD for \$17,710.19.
- b. Approve 2024 Quarter #3 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2018075 to Rice SWCD for \$946.00.
- c. Approve 2024 Quarter #3 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2024-28 to SE TSA7 for \$12,265.80.
- d. Approve 2024 Quarter #3 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #C22-6675 to the Goodhue SWCD for \$8,231.15
- e. Approve 2024 Quarter #3 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #C24-0109 to the Goodhue SWCD for \$24,039.68
- f. Approve 2024 Quarter #3 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2024-43 to the Wabasha SWCD for \$22,294.82
- g. Approve 2024 Quarter #2 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #WAGZ Q2-24 to the Dodge SWCD for \$12,024.23
- h. Approve Cost Share Voucher #2024CWMA-02 for Goodhue TWP for controlling Noxious Weeds in Goodhue TWP for \$472.50 using 2022 Cooperative Weed Management Grant Funds.

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

**IV. Secretary's Report**

- a. Approve September 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

*Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Comstock to approve the September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.*

**V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)**

**VI. Action Items**

- a. Action on MASWCD Resolutions

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the MASWCD Resolutions. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.*

**b. Action on Cover Crops Contracts:**

- i. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #23DWSMA-15 for Trevor Ryan for implementing 160 acres Cover Crops, No-till, Planting Green, Split-N, N-inhibitor and Low Disturbance Manure in Sec.19, 20,29 of Goodhue TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$37,760.00 using BWSR Goodhue DSWMA Funding
- ii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #23DWSMA-16 for Burfeind Farms LLC for implementing 45 acres Cover Crops and Low Disturbance Manure in Sec.30 of Goodhue TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$9,450.00 using BWSR Goodhue DSWMA Funding
- iii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-10 for Gary Gadiant for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 5 of Goodhue TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.
- iv. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-11 for Gavin Hokanson for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 17 of Cannon Falls TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.
- v. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-12 for Troy Hokanson for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 5 of Belle Creek TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.
- vi. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-13 for Dan Ryan for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 35 of Vasa TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.
- vii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-14 for Jason Lohman for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 26 of Zumbrota TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.
- viii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-15 for Brad Anderson for implementing 40 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 22/23 of Vasa TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.
- ix. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #24SWCD-16 for Kevin O'Connor for implementing 16 acres Cover Crops in Sec. 3 of Belle Creek TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$1,920 using our "40 for 40" Cover Crop SWCD Aid Funding.
- x. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-11 for Jason Lohman for implementing 100 acres Cover Crops in Sec.26/33 of Zumbrota TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$15,000 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xi. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-12 for Jon Krusmark for implementing 71 acres Cover Crops in Sec.34 of Belvidere TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$10,650 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-13 for Wayne Gadiant for implementing 12 acres Cover Crops in Sec.24 of Minneola TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$1,620 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xiii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-15 for Randy Veith for implementing 32 acres Cover Crops in Sec.4 of Hay Creek TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$4,800 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xiv. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-16 for Chris Hinck for implementing 28 acres Cover Crops in Sec.8 of Florence TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$3,780 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xv. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-17 for Matt Mangan for implementing 75 acres Cover Crops in Sec.8 of Cherry Grove TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$11,250 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xvi. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-18 for Jay Burdick for implementing 16 acres Cover Crops in Sec.14 of Belvidere TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$1,920 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xvii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-19 for Dawn Brossard for implementing 68.4 acres Cover Crops in Sec.29 of Roscoe TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$9,234 using WAGZ WBIF Funding

- xviii. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-20 for Ed McNamara for implementing 50 acres Cover Crops in Sec.23 of Belvidere TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$6,750 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xix. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-21 for Nathan Jaeger for implementing 100 acres Cover Crops in Sec.6/15/19 of Florence TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$12,000 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xx. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-22 for John Jaeger for implementing 60 acres Cover Crops in Sec.35/15 of Hay Creek/Florence TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$8,100 using WAGZ WBIF Funding
- xxi. Action on Flat Rate Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-24 for Jared Brinkman for implementing 81 acres Cover Crops in Sec.25 of Belvidere TWP with a maximum 3yr Contract Payment of \$10,935 using WAGZ WBIF Funding

*Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Comstock to approve Action Item b. (i thru xxi) Cover Crop Contracts. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Abstained: Hinck (xiv). Motion carried.*

**c. Action on CRP Incentive Contracts:**

- i. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024Cannon\_GC\_CRP-4 for Mike Bauer; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- ii. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024Cannon\_GC\_CRP-5 for Dave Fluegel; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- iii. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024Cannon\_GC\_CRP-8 for Brian Hetzel; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- iv. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024Cannon\_GC\_CRP-9 for Duane Lindstrom; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$250.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- v. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_WAGZ\_GC\_CRP-3 for Les Schliep; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$250.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- vi. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_WAGZ\_GC\_CRP-4 for Scott Wesch; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$250.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- vii. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_WAGZ\_GC\_CRP-5 for Allen Stolee; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$250.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- viii. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_WAGZ\_GC\_CRP-6 for Paul Berg; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- ix. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_WAGZ\_GC\_CRP-7 for Paul Berg; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- x. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_WAGZ\_GC\_CRP-8 for Juergen VonKnobelsdorff; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- xi. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_WAGZ\_GC\_CRP-9 for Juergen VonKnobelsdorff; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up
- xii. Action on Incentive Conservation Activity Reimbursement Contract #2024\_Cannon\_GC\_CRP-10 for Greg Rathman; Contract and Incentive Payment of \$500.00 for New CRP Sign-Up

*Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Comstock to approve Action Item c. (i thru xii) CRP Incentive Contracts. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.*

- d. Action on Percentage Based Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-23 for Marianne Derr for implementing 2 Well Sealings in Sec.30 of Wanamingo TWP with a Cost Share Rate of 75% and not to exceed \$3,817.50 using WAGZ WBIF Funding

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the Percentage Based Cost Share Contract #2024WAGZ-GC-23 for Marianne Derr for implementing 2 Well Sealings in Sec.30 of Wanamingo TWP with a Cost Share Rate of 75% and not to exceed \$3,817.50 using WAGZ WBIF Funding. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.*

- e. Action on Percentage Based Cost Share Contract #LCF2022-03 for Molitor Brothers LLC for implementing a Grassed Waterway in Sec.32 of Cherry Grove TWP with a Cost Share Rate of 75% and not to exceed \$7,012.50 using Local Capacity Funds

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the Percentage Based Cost Share Contract #LCF2022-03 for Molitor Brothers LLC for implementing a Grassed Waterway in Sec.21 of Cherry Grove TWP with a Cost Share Rate of 75%*

and not to exceed \$7,012.50 using Local Capacity Funds. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried

- f. Action on Percentage Based Cost Share Contract #24-GC-09 for Dennis Samuelson for implementing a Water and Sediment Control Basin in Sec.20 of Vasa TWP with a Cost Share Rate of 85% and not to exceed \$12,133.75 using Cannon River WBIF Funding

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Comstock to approve the Percentage Based Cost Share Contract #24-GC-09 for Dennis Samuelson for implementing a Water and Sediment Control Basin in Sec.20 of Vasa TWP with a Cost Share Rate of 85% and not to exceed \$12,133.75 using Cannon River WBIF Funding. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- g. Action on Personnel Committee Recommendations on 2025 Health Care Coverage

Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the Personnel Committee Recommendations on 2025 Health Care Coverage. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

## VII. Reports

- a. NRCS Report

Presented by J. Benjamin (see attached)

- b. District Manager's

Zumbro 1W1P / Cannon 1W1P / Personnel Committee / Nitrate Work Group / TSA7

- c. Staff Reports

Krier gave her report on the AgBMP Loan Program

- d. Supervisor's Activity Report

Supervisors gave their report of meetings attended. Hinck: Personnel Committee Meeting

- e. Other

Copeland gave his report on BWSR Grant Funding

## VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables

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

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


- b. Approve October 2024 Accounts Payable

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

## IX. Adjournment

Motioned by Beck, seconded by Comstock to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beck, Comstock, Hinck, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:14pm

Respectfully submitted



~~Don Schliep~~ Christopher Hinck

## Upcoming Events

Zumbro Watershed Policy Meeting November 7<sup>th</sup>

Holiday – November 11<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day

BCWD Tour w/NRCS November 4<sup>th</sup> 10am @ Otterness Dam

November Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting November 25<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm

# NRCS District Conservationist Report

10/28/2024

Dylan Bartles is the acting Team Lead through Dec 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **CSP (Conservation Stewardship Program)**

- 19 Active contracts worth roughly 665K cost share remaining to be paid out
- FY25 CSP Classic signup deadline Nov.15<sup>th</sup>
- 8 FY25 Classic applications in currently
- FY25 Renewal application deadline is Dec 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentive Program)**

- 29 Active EQIP contracts worth roughly 645K cost share remaining to be paid out
- 30 EQIP25 applications submitted
- 1 EQIP25 2<sup>nd</sup> sign up submitted
- FY25 EQIP signup deadline Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>.

## **RCPP18 (Regional Conservation Partnership Program)**

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

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

## **CRP (Conservation Reserve Program)**

- 9 plans needing planned
- 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