



Watonwan Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors – Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 20, 2021

108 8th Street South, St. James, MN 56081

The Watonwan Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors held their monthly meeting at the District Office in St. James, Minnesota on Monday, September 20, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Rich Enger at 8:34 am.

SWCD Members Present: Chairman, Rich Enger
Vice Chairman, Noren Durham
Secretary, Steve Sodeman
PR& I, Bret Braaten

Others Present: Land Management Director, Dave Haler
Asst. Zoning Administrator / Solid Waste Administrator, Kyla Schломann
District Technician, Laura Quiring
County Commissioner, Dillon Melheim
NRCS Conservationist, Jake Gross

AGENDA

Motion by Durham, second by Braaten to approve the September 20, 2021 agenda as presented.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger, and Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion carried

MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Durham, second by Braaten to approve the August 16, 2021 meeting minutes as amended.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger, Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion carried

FINANCIAL & ACCOUNTING

Treasurer’s Report: Haler discussed the expense report.

Motion by Braaten, second by Durham to approve the treasurer’s report.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger and Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Bills to Pay: Haler discussed the monthly bills to pay.

Motion by Braaten, Second by Durham to approve payment of monthly bills in the amount of \$41,541.29.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger, and Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Supervisor Per Diem: None this month

BOARD REPORTS

Greater Blue Earth River Basin Alliance (GBERBA): Discussion on GBERBA Mtg
MASWCD Area VI: Upcoming meeting is September 21, 2021.

Watowan River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan: No update.

South Central TSA: No quorum so meeting was rescheduled to 9-28-2021.

Liaison Committee: Hoping to advertise SWCD Tech/Feedlot Tech position next week.

Commissioner Report: No Report

SWCD ACTION ITEMS / BUSINESS ITEMS

MASWCD Area VI Dues:

Motion by Braaten, second by Durham to pay the annual Area VI dues in the amount of \$400.00

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger and Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion carried

SWCD Program & Operations Grant Agreement:

Motion by Braaten, second by Durham to approve signing of the grant agreement in the amount of \$56,176.00.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger and Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion carried

2022 Buffer Program Implementation Supplemental Grant:

Motion by Durham, second by Braaten to accept the buffer program implementation supplemental grant in the amount of \$30,000.00

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger, & Sodeman

Opposed:

Motion carried

Cost Share Project Approval:

Applicant: Gary Johnson

Contract: 21-01

Estimated Cost: \$5,400.00

75% Cost-Share: \$4,050.00

Funding Source: FY20 State Cost-Share (\$979.87) & FY21 State Cost-Share (\$3,070.13)

Practice: 410 Grade Stabilization

Motion by Braaten, second by Durham to approve payment for Gary Johnson project in the amount of \$4,050.00.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger, & Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion carried

SWCD PROGRAM UPDATES & REPORTS

Staff Agency Reports:

WCA LGU: No Report.

Farm Bill Biologist: Vacant Position, No Report.

NRCS District Conservationist: Verbal Report

SWCD Assistant Manager: Verbal Report

District Technician: Verbal Report

BWSR: No Report

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

9/21/2021	Area VI MASWCD Mtg	2 Staff, 2 Supervisors
10/15/2021	GBERBA Executive Meeting – 1:00pm	Rich, staff
9/21/2021	GBERBA Technical Meeting – 9:30am	Staff

Motion by Durham, second by Braaten to approve listed upcoming meetings.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger, and Sodeman

Opposed: None

Motion Carried

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

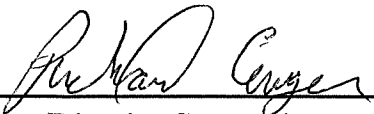
Motion by Braaten, second by Durham to adjourn the meeting at 10:26am.

Affirmative: Braaten, Durham, Enger, & Sodeman

Opposed:

Motion carried

Next Regular SWCD Board Meeting will be on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 8:30 am at the District Office.



District Supervisor



District Administrator