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July 7, 2022

To: Wadena SWCD Board Members, Affiliate Members and Guests

From: Kristi Rorah, Administrative/Education & Outreach Assistant  
Wadena SWCD

Subject: Board Meeting

A meeting of the Wadena Soil & Water Conservation District will be held on **Monday, July 18, 2022** at 7:30 a.m. at the Wadena Sheriff's Building, 500 Birch Ave NW, Wadena, MN (this is at the fairgrounds). Zoom link available upon request.

Please see our website at [www.wadenaswcd.org](http://www.wadenaswcd.org) for more information.

Enclosed is a tentative agenda.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristi Rorah".

Kristi Rorah  
Administrative, Education & Outreach Assistant  
East Otter Tail & Wadena SWCD



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**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) • Remote/Teleconference: See details on our website*

Call Meeting to Order by Chairperson Ken Berg

1. Adopt Agenda
2. Approve June Board Meeting Minutes
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Bills Paid and Bills Payable
5. Cost Share
  - New GAM requirement from BWSR
6. District Manager's Report
7. District Conservationist's Report
8. County Commissioner's Report
9. Other Agency Reports

**OLD BUSINESS**

10. Forestry Update
11. Water Plan/Watershed Plan Update
12. TSA Update

**NEW BUSINESS**

13. Lease Renewal
14. Award Nominations
15. Meetings and Trainings
16. Public Comments
17. Adjourn



### Minutes from the June 20, 2022, Board Meeting

The regular monthly board meeting of the Wadena Soil and Water Conservation District was held on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 7:30 a.m. in person at the Sheriff's Building at the fairgrounds. No meeting was held in February due to weather conditions.

*The meeting was called to order by Chair Ken Berg at 7:34 a.m.*

**Members Present:**

Chair: Ken Berg  
Vice Chair: Bruce Juntunen  
Treasurer: Tom Schulz  
Secretary: Nancy Benson

**Others Present:**

County Commissioner: Murlyn Kreklau  
District Manager: Darren Newville  
Ass't District Manager: Anne Oldakowski  
Admin, Ed, & Outreach Asst: Kristi Rorah

**Members Absent:**

Public Relations: Brett Dailey

**Adopt Agenda:** Motion made by Bruce Juntunen, seconded by Nancy Benson, to adopt the agenda with additions. Opposed: none, motion carried.

**Approve Board Meeting Minutes:** Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Bruce Juntunen to approve May 2022 Board Meeting Minutes. Opposed: none, motion carried.

\* 7:36 a.m. Tom Schulz arrived

**Treasurer's Report:** Motion made by Bruce Juntunen, seconded by Nancy Benson to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Opposed: none, motion carried.

**Bills Paid and Bills Payable:** Motion made by Bruce Juntunen, seconded by Nancy Benson, to approve the Bills Paid and Bills Payable as presented. Opposed: none, motion carried.

**Cost Share:** none

**District Manager's Report:** as written and reported by Darren Newville.

**NRCS District Conservationist's Report:** none

**County Commissioner's Report:**

- Expanded Judicial Ditch Committee to include two county commissioners.
- Labor negotiations for 2022 are ongoing.
- Starting the budget process for 2023.

*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.*



**Other Agency Reports:** none

**Forestry Update:** presented by Tom Schulz

- LCCMR grant: spread over three watersheds
- Next meeting will be in Grand Rapids

**Water Plan Update:**

- Long Prairie draft plan is complete.
- Very small area of the LP watershed is in Wadena County. Recommending Wadena SWCD adopt the plan and sign on to implementation.
- Motion made by Tom Schultz, seconded by Nancy Benson, to participate in the LP watershed collaborative agreement. Opposed: none, motion carried.

**TSA 8 Report:** presented by Tom Schulz

- Going through the process to try to decide how to proceed going forward with TSA staff/engineering.

**Meetings/Trainings:**

- MACAI Short Course and Annual Meeting, July 18-20 in Morton MN, \$250 registration plus hotel. Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Bruce Juntunen, to approve staff attending the MACAI short course.
- Discussed MASWCD leadership training

**RIM Work Order:** Motion to approve signing of the Champaign work order made by Tom Schultz, seconded by Nancy Benson. Opposed: none, motion carried.

**Public Comments:** none

**Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 8:17 a.m.