



Minutes from the August 19, 2019 Board Meeting

The regular monthly board meeting of the Wadena Soil and Water Conservation District was held on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the USDA Service Center Conference Room, 4 Alfred Street NE, Wadena, MN.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Brett Dailey at 7:58 a.m.

Members Present:

Chair: Brett Dailey
Vice Chair: Ken Berg
Secretary: Bruce Juntunen
Treasurer: Nancy Benson
Public Relations: Tom Schulz

Others Present:

MN House of Representatives: Rep. Steve Green
County Commissioner: Chuck Horsager
BWSR Board Conservationist: Chris Pence
District Manager: Darren Newville
Ass't District Manager: Anne Oldakowski
Administrative Secretary: Chantal Tougas
EOT Liaison: Dennis Reynolds

Adopt Agenda: Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Ken Berg to Adopt the Agenda. Opposed: None, Motion carried.

Approve Board Meeting Minutes from previous month: Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Bruce Juntunen to approve the last month Board Meeting Minutes with the following change. Under Forestry Update should read note that Tom did not vote. Opposed: None, Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Nancy Benson to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. For future A/P should read Less A/P. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Bills Paid and Bills Payable: Motion made by Ken Berg, seconded by Nancy Benson to approve the Bills Paid and Bills Payable as presented. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

COST SHARE

CWL Crow Wing River Forestry Plan Writing:

We will be submitting an invoice to the grant for these forestry plans:

17 – Kleinke Family \$3,679.50 North Germany Twp Sections 10, 11, 12 (consultant written). Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Nancy Benson to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

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District Manager's Report: See attached.

Discussion was held on the newspaper article regarding the Update on Pineland Sands issues.

Soil Conservationist's Report: Not present

County Commissioner's Report: Chuck is on the Wadena County tax abatement policy committee. CLC is having their Ag Days so everyone is invited to join.

BWSR Report: See attached report.

Forestry Update: There is a meeting next month. The Forestry Coordinator position is now open.

Water Plan Update: Red Eye meetings coming up.

TSA 8 Report: Managers feedback meeting coming up.

Retreat Update: Vision statement and goals were discussed as a result of our board and staff retreat.

9:35 a.m. Rep. Steve Green left the meeting

Meetings:

- State Managers Meeting: Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Ken Berg to approve Anne to attend this meeting. Opposed: none, motion carried.
- Soil Health Training: Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Ken Berg to approve those attending this training. Opposed: none, motion carried.

CWF Forestry Extension: Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Ken Berg to approve Darren to ask for a 1-year extension. Opposed: none, motion carried.

2020 – 2021 Conservation Delivery/State CS Grant Agreement: Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Ken Berg to approve Darren to sign this agreement. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Awards: Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Ken Berg to nominate Lori Grandahl for the teacher award. Motion made by Ken Berg, seconded by Nancy Benson to nominate Tim & Rita Nolte for Conservationist award. Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Nancy Benson to nominate Rick for Forestry Award. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

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