



Minutes from the June 17, 2019 Board Meeting

The regular monthly board meeting of the Wadena Soil and Water Conservation District was held on Monday, June 17, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. in the USDA Service Center, 4 Alfred Street North, Wadena, MN.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Brett Dailey at 8:00 a.m.

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

Others Present: BWSR Board Conservationist: Chris Pence
Acting District Conservationist: Russ Kleinschmidt
District Manager: Darren Newville
Ass't District Manager: Anne Oldakowski
Administrative Secretary: Chantal Tougas
EOT Liaison: Dennis Reynolds

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

Approve Board Meeting Minutes from previous month: Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Ken Berg to approve the last month Board Meeting Minutes. Opposed: None, Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Nancy Benson to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Bills Paid and Bills Payable: Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Bruce Juntunen 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:

13 – Posch, Robert etal \$1,539 Bullard Twp sections 25,36. Motion made by Nancy Benson, seconded by Tom Schulz to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

14 – Erickson, Todd & Glenda \$1,338 Bullard Twp section 14,23 and Rockwood Twp section 25. Motion made by Tom Schulz, seconded by Ken Berg to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

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CWL Crow Wing River Forestry Practice Cost Share:

01 – O’Connor, Thomas; authorization to approve payment for a tree planting with a total cost of \$780.00 and cost sharing not to exceed \$585.00 or 75% whichever is less in Thomastown Township, sections 2,3. Motion made by Ken Berg, seconded by Tom Schulz to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

02 – O’Connor, Cody; authorization to approve payment for a tree planting with a total cost of \$622.50 and cost sharing not to exceed \$466.88 or 75% whichever is less in Thomastown Township, section 3. Motion made by Ken Berg, seconded by Nancy Benson to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

District Manager’s Report: See attached.

Soil Conservationist’s Report:

- 🍷 Team lead position is now closed
- 🍷 EQIP – a few more applications have been funded
- 🍷 CSP – June 21, 2019 is the deadline to finish up applications

County Commissioner’s Report: not present

BWSR Report:

- 🍷 1W1P proposals received
- 🍷 Block grant dollars funded at the same level as previous years
- 🍷 MN State Bee – Rusty Patch Bumble Bee (*pictured on the right*)



Forestry Update: BWSR is in the process of hiring a Forestry Stewardship Coordinator to be housed in Brainerd office. EOT SWCD is hiring a contractor to assist with reporting, GIS, and database development of the MFRC grant.

Water Plan Update:

- 🍷 Red Eye 1W1P kick off meeting/picnic went well. Groundwater quality was the biggest concern
- 🍷 June 27, 2019 Advisory Committee Meeting
- 🍷 July 8, 2019 Policy meeting in Wadena
- 🍷 Nitrate Clinic at County Fair June 20 and 21 from 2-6 p.m.

TSA 8 Report: June 25, 2019 is the next meeting. Dain Erickson’s contract renewal is on the agenda.

Meetings: Our next board meeting will be held at the Maslowski Wellness Center in Wadena at our usual time of 8:00 a.m. A board and staff retreat will follow the meeting.

On Farm Field Trial Conservation Innovation Grant: Information presented. July 15, 2019 is the deadline for the application.

Public Comments: None

Meeting Adjourned: Meeting adjourned at 9:13 a.m.

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