

**BIG STONE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
SUPERVISORS' MEETING – August 1, 2023  
USDA Service Center, Ortonville MN**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Morrill at 1:12 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Supervisors present: Morrill, Moen, Dybdahl

Others present: Brett Baldwin, Tammy Neubauer, Dustin Hieserich – SWCD staff; Wade Athey, Big Stone County Commissioner

**Approval of Agenda:** motion Dybdahl, second Moen, to approve the agenda, as presented. Passed unanimously.

**Secretary's Minutes** – motion Moen, second Dybdahl, to approve the minutes of July 11, 2023, meeting. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report** – motion Dybdahl, second Moen, to approve the Treasurer's Report and pay all bills presented. Passed unanimously.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING**

- Buffer Compliance Update – Tammy Neubauer reached out to the County Attorney to find out where the buffer non-compliance landowners are at in the legal process. She has responded via email that Darren Wilke will be taking care of the information. Darren replied to my email and said he was out that week but would send me a date and time to meet after he had gone through the parcels on the new GIS Eagleview.
- UMRWD 1W1P – the Policy committee approved a full draft of the 1W1P plan to move forward. The UMRWD established the Water Management District under a Joint Powers Collaboration that will give the governance structure and planning implementation. The UMRWD will be the fiscal agent for the plan. A timeline of future events has been discussed.

**OLD BUSINESS** - none

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **UMRWD 1W1P Resolution** – after discussion, motion Moen, second Dybdahl, to adopt the UMRWD 1W1P Water Management Plan Resolution, to move forward with the plan and continue to be support. Passed unanimously.
- **2024 SWCD Budget Proposal** – after discussion, motion Moen, second Dybdahl, to approve the presented 2024 budget. Passed unanimously.

**Big Stone County Commissioners' Report** – Wade Athey, BSC Commissioner, was present to report on recent county happenings. The commissioners have accepted the bid for audit from Abdo CPAs. The Sheriff department received a communications grant < \$40,000. The County has adopted the 1W1P Water Management Plan. Questions were addressed regarding the Ortonville Trap Range about replanting trees, and reports of unapproved weapons being used, which are not part of the County Use Permit. Clinton received permits to remove dilapidated structures. The County engaged in training regarding a drug-free workplace. The County approved the appointment of Paul Radermacher to the UMRWD board. August 10<sup>th</sup> will be a board work session to work on the County budget items.

**NRCS Report** – none

**SWCD Technician's Report** – Dustin Hieserich presented the District Technician's Report here.

**Programs Technician's Report** – Brett Baldwin presented the District Programs Technician's Report.

**District Manager's Report** – Tammy Neubauer presented the District Manager's Report.

Being there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Sincerely,

*Tammy Neubauer*  
District Manager