

**BIG STONE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SUPERVISORS' MEETING – December 3, 2024
USDA Service Center, Ortonville MN**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Morrill at 1:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Supervisors present: Morrill, Reisdorph, Moen, Dybdahl, Holker

Others present: Tammy Neubauer, Brett Baldwin, Dustin Hieserich – SWCD staff

Approval of Agenda: motion Dybdahl, second Holker, to approve the agenda, with 2 additions. Passed unanimously.

Secretary's Minutes – motion Reisdorph, second Moen, to approve the minutes of November 5, 2024, board 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 – Dustin Hieserich gave a buffer update. He has spoken with Laura DeBeer with BWSR about the Public Waters Inventory. Dustin is hoping that BWSR and the DNR will look at areas with disgruntled landowners. The DNR is not setting OHWs. Currently, Dustin is working through the buffer compliance in the top half of the county. Water in this area is above average, right now.
- UMRWD 1W1P – Tammy Neubauer gave an update on the UMR 1W1P. She has unfunded EQIP plans that have been ranked and waiting to talk with Amber at the UMRWD on how to proceed with encumbering funds for these projects. We are waiting on wetland determinations for several projects – messages and phone calls have been sent to NRCS to hopefully, move these determinations along.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Alternative Tile Intakes Cost Share** – tabled until January meeting
- **DNR – Thielke Lake Shoreline Restoration Contract** – after discussion, motion Moen, second Reisdorph, to sign the contract for the Thielke Lake Shoreline Restoration project and return to the DNR.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Payment Vouchers**

The following cost share vouchers are presented for approval:

Contract Number	Practice	Total Contract Amount	Percent or Flat Rate	Total Voucher to Approve	Funding Source(s)
24CC-4	well sealing	\$1,500.00	50%	\$750.00	24CC
24CC-5	well sealing	\$1,500.00	50%	\$750.00	24CC

Motion Moen, second Dybdahl, to approve the payment vouchers presented. Passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Big Stone County Commissioners' Report** – none
- **NRCS Report** – none
- **SWCD Technician's Report** – Dustin Hieserich presented the SWCD Technician's Report

- **Programs Technician's Report** – Brett Baldwin had provided the Programs Technician's Report.
- **District Manager's Report** – Tammy Neubauer presented the District Manager's Report.

The Board closed the meeting at 2:15 p.m., to discuss personnel recommendations.

The meeting was opened at 2:21 p.m.

- The Board discussed with staff the personnel recommendations and increases in pay rates.

Being there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

Sincerely,

Tammy Neubauer
District Manager