

**BIG STONE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 SUPERVISORS' MEETING – June 3, 2025
 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

Others present: Brett Baldwin, Dustin Hieserich, Tammy Neubauer – SWCD staff; Wade Athey – Big Stone County Commissioner; Darren Wilke and Arnold Jibben – Big Stone County Environmental Office; Becky Trapp – Big Stone County Attorney

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

Secretary's Minutes – motion Moen, second Reisdorph, to approve the minutes of May 13, 2025. Passed unanimously.

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

STRATEGIC PLANNING

- Buffer Compliance Update – Dustin Hieserich gave an update on buffer compliance. Arnold Jibben, intern with the Environmental Office, has been working with Jordan Roggenbuck, County Engineer, using a drone to document all the county ditches. This will verify the condition of the county ditches and document their condition. This information will be useful for any future damages for FEMA. Darren Wilke and Dustin have been working with Laura DeBeer with BWSR to assess some of the ditches and the high-water issues areas. Three producers were con-compliant. All 3 have met with Darren and Dustin – 2 are staked and/or planted, one is waiting for a ditch cleanout to be completed. Motion Moen, second Reisdorph, that the SWCD Board agrees not to pursue buffers on high-water non-compliant parcels. High-water parcels will continue to be monitored. Passed unanimously. Wade Athey states that the county has hired a firm to find a solution to the continually rising high waters in those certain areas. Also, Dustin is working with FSA on CRP sign-ups. On those sign-ups, what is needed for buffers will be removed from the CRP contracts.

Darren Wilke and Arnold Jibben left the meeting at 1:25 p.m.

- UMRWD 1W1P – Tammy Neubauer gave an update on the 1W1P. Two wetland determinations have been completed and received – one more WASCBS project has been sent to engineering. Funds have been encumbered for 2 approved projects so far.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion Reisdorph, second Dybdahl, to approve the following payment voucher:

Contract Number	Practice	Total Contract Amount	Percent or Flat Rate	Total Voucher for Approval	Funding Source(s)
25CC-1	Strip till	\$2625.00	flat	\$2625.00	25 Cons. Contracts

Passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Big Stone County Commissioners' Report – Wade Athey was present to provide the Commissioners' report. The Commissioners recently conducted a road tour for future projects. Overlay projects contract on Highways 6, 10 and 21 was awarded to mark Sand & Gravel.

NRCS Report – none

SWCD Technician's Report – Dustin Hieserich presented the District Technician's Report,

Programs Technician's Report – Brett Baldwin presented the 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 2:05 p.m.

Sincerely,

Tammy Neubauer

District Manager