

BIG STONE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SUPERVISORS' MEETING – May 7, 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, Dybdahl, Moen

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

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 April 2, 2024, Board meeting. 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 updated on the buffer compliance. Laura DeBeer sent an excel sheet for updates. Dustin has 3 NoNs to be sent. One landowner recently said his buffer did not get seeded that should have this spring.
- UMRWD 1W1P – Tammy Neubauer said that there is a TEAMS meeting on Friday, May 10, to go through the workplan for the WBIF that was submitted.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

- 2025 Budget – after discussion, motion Moen, second Dybdahl, to approve the proposed 2025 budget. Passed unanimously.
- Area II Meeting – Tammy Neubauer says the Area II meeting is June 12th, in Glenwood. Lon Moen will plan to attend.
- Cost Share Voucher – motion Moen, second Reisdorph, to approve cost share voucher to Carl Schmidt Trust #CS22-2 well seal – total contract approved \$1425.00; total cost share assistance approved \$712.50, or 50%. Passed unanimously.
- SWCD Governance 101 – a training on SWCD governance is being offered July 16 & 17, in Alexandria, if any supervisor is interested in attending. Staff will be planning to attend.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Big Stone County Commissioners' Report – Commissioner Wade Athey was present to provide information from County Commissioners' meeting. A new county maintenance worker has been hired. The power line project will be hosting meetings with a new proposed route map. Prairie 5 meal program has requested new kitchen and additional space. The bituminous project east of Beardsley has been advertised. New sewer low-income grant award amounts were adjusted. Planning commission has made appointments to the board. Mining permit fees were discussed. Dilapidated structure application approved. Suzanne Souza gave a report for 4-H and Extension. Com. Zimmel was appointed to the Western MN Prairie Waters Board.

NRCS Report – none

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

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 2:59 p.m.

Sincerely,

Tammy Neubauer

District Manager