

**BIG STONE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
SUPERVISORS' MEETING – May 13, 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, Holker

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

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion Holker, second Reisdorph, to approve the agenda, as presented. Passed unanimously.

**Secretary's Minutes** – motion Reisdorph, second Holker, to approve the minutes of April 1, 2025. Passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report** – motion Holker, second Reisdorph, 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. There is on Corrective Action Notice (CAN) out there to be dealt with. Dustin and Darren Wilke met with the landowner and came up with a plan to come into compliance. One landowner needs a DNR permit to clean out a ditch before putting in a buffer. Another landowner is planting a buffer now. The County is going to seed a buffer from a ditch clean-out. Regarding the high-water parcels – 13-14 parcels are in the high-water areas. Laura DeBeer with BWSR is aware of these parcels. Dustin, Darren and Laura will meet to decide what to do with the high-water parcels in the future. There are still a couple of non-compliant parcels and Dustin plans to meet with those landowners. Dustin will invite Darren to the next board meeting to discuss the buffer compliance.
- UMRWD 1W1P – Tammy Neubauer gave an update on the 1W1P. One shoreline project did not score high enough to be funded, since it was not a high priority project and in a lower priority area of the county, as described in the 1W1P policy. The District proposes to fund a portion of the project with state cost share funds, so the amount requested from the 1W1P will be a significantly less request. With support from the steering committee and approval from the UMRWD board, the project received approval and maybe set a precedence for future shoreline projects on Big Stone Lake.

**OLD BUSINESS** - none

**NEW BUSINESS**

- UMR 1W1P Project Approval – motion Holker, second Moen, Morrill abstain, to approve project UMR-WBIF24-25-006 to install WASCBS: total contract approved \$172,500 – EQIP funding \$115,899, or 67.2%: 1W1P funding \$13,455, or 7.8%, to bring the total cost share assistance to 75%. Passed unanimously.
- UMR 1W1P Project Approval – motion Moen, second Holker, to approve project UMR-WBIF24-25-008 to install shoreline restoration: total contract approved \$15,906.65 – total cost share assistance \$7953.33, or 50% - funding from 1W1P \$3153.33; total cost share assistance from 2025 Conservation Contracts \$4800.00. Passed unanimously.
- Motion Reisdorph, second Holker, to approve the following payment vouchers:

Contract Number	Practice	Total Contract Amount	Percent or Flat Rate	Total Voucher for Approval	Funding Source(s)
24CC-8	Strip till	\$1693.80	flat	\$1693.80	24 Cons. Contracts
23LC-1	No till	\$2100.00	flat	\$2100.00	23 State Cost Share
23SH-3	No till	\$2850.00	flat	2850.00	23 Local Capacity
24CC-6	No till	\$2250.00	flat	\$2250.00	24 Cons. Contracts

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Big Stone County Commissioners' Report** – none

**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 2:16 p.m.

Sincerely,

*Tammy Neubauer*

District Manager