

BIG STONE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SUPERVISORS' MEETING – September 2, 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, Holker

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

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

Secretary's Minutes: motion Moen, second Dybdahl, to approve the minutes of August 5, 2025. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: motion Holker, 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. He has been in BUFFCat updating changes of ownership. Public Waters Inventory has begun. PWI could possibly be finished in 2 years. Dustin has more ditch seeding to do – ditches have been too wet due to excessive rainfall. The county ditches he has to finish seeding have also been too wet.
- UMRWD 1W1P – Tammy Neubauer gave an update on the 1W1P. There was a meeting on August 18th, to touch base with partners, and ask and answer questions about projects, logs and encumbered funds, and project updates.

OLD BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS

- 2025 SWCD Cost Share Policy Amendments – after discussion, motion Moen, second Reisdorph, to approve policy amendments as presented. Passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Big Stone County Commissioners' Report – Wade Athey was present to provide the Commissioners' report. The board signed agreements and paid bills. Representative Paul Anderson was present to discuss the recent emergency declaration due to excessive rainfall. The board recessed and moved to the courtroom for an informational meeting regarding County Ditch 30. The proposed acres to be analyzed are 60,000+. The proposed benefit assessment is at about \$3.95 per acre. The board discussed the appropriation to the Big Stone SWCD.

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 2:10 p.m.

Sincerely,

Tammy Neubauer
District Manager