

**Goodhue County SWCD District Regular Board Meeting**

Monday – November 28<sup>th</sup> 2022

**5:30 PM**

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room

104 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

Zoom: Meeting ID: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8599817067> 859 981 7067 Call: (312)626-6799

**Minutes**

**I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance** *Meeting was called to order at 5:30 by Chair, Jeff Beckman*

SWCD Supervisors Present	SWCD Staff Present	Others Present
<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>
<i>Jeff Beckman - Chair</i>	<i>Beau Kennedy - District Manager</i>	<i>Nathan Bird - NRCS</i>
<i>Christopher Hinck – Vice Chair</i>	<i>Delane Krier – Administrative Asst.</i>	
<i>Mark Comstock - Reporter</i>		
<i>Ed McNamara - Treasurer</i>		
<i>Don Schliep - Secretary</i>		

**II. Approval of the Agenda**

*Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Comstock to approve the Agenda as presented. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

**III. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #2022WAGZ-GC-01 for James Arndt @ 90% Cost-Share for \$9,205.20 for constructing a WASCOD structure in Section 27 of Featherstone TWP.
- b. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #2022WAGZ-GC-12 for Kent Billman @ 90% Cost-Share for \$17,637.34 for constructing a grade stabilization structure in Section 24 of Roscoe TWP.
- c. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #22-GC-003 for Todd Prink @ 75% Cost-Share for \$20,891.25 for constructing 3 grade stabilization structures in Section 24 of Cannon Falls TWP. (*\$6,963.75 from 2021 Local Capacity & \$13,927.50 from Cannon River 1W1P*)
- d. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #LCF2021-05 for Keith Allen planting 17 acres of single-species cover crop @ \$25/ac for \$425.00
- e. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #LCF2022-01 for Eugene Betcher planting 40 acres of single-species cover crop @ \$25/ac for \$1,000.00.
- f. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #LCF2022-02 for Billy Diercks planting 40 acres of single-species cover crop @ \$25/ac for \$1,000.00.
- g. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #2022WAGZ-GC-08 for Greg Goplen planting 100 acres of single-species cover crop @ \$40/ac for \$4,000.00.
- h. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #2022WAGZ-GC-07 for Paul Huneke planting 60 acres of single-species cover crop @ \$40/ac for \$2,400.00.
- i. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #2022WAGZ-GC-02 for Ryan Buck @ 90% Cost-Share for \$11,680.20 for constructing a grade stabilization structure in Section 18 of Hay Creek TWP.
- j. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #21-GC-006 for Steve Lindstrom planting 142 acres of single-species cover crop @ \$40/ac for \$5,680.00 using Cannon River WBIF.
- k. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #LCF2021-03 Steve Lindstrom planting 40 acres of single-species cover crop @ \$25/ac for \$1,000 using 2021 Local Capacity Funds.
- l. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #LCF2021-08 Andy Schumacher for constructing a grassed waterway @ 75% cost-share for \$4,552.50 using 2021 Local Capacity Funds.
- m. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #2022WAGZ-GC-06 for Burfiend Dairy Farm @ 90% Cost-Share for \$8,328.67 for constructing a grassed waterway in Section 30 of Goodhue TWP.
- n. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #LCF2020-03 Jim Wendt for planting 40 acres of multi-species cover crop @ \$35/ac for \$1,400 using 2020 Local Capacity Funds.

- o. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #22-GC-005 for Emery Maher @ 75% Cost-Share for \$21,131.25 for constructing 3 Water & Sediment Control Basins in Section 15/22 of Warsaw TWP.
- p. Approve Cost-Share Voucher for Contract #22-GC-006 for Emery Maher @ 90% Cost-Share for \$7,830.00 for constructing 1 Water & Sediment Control Basin in Section 15 of Warsaw TWP.

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

#### **IV. Secretary's Report**

- a. Approve October 2022 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

*Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the Secretary's Report as presented. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

#### **V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)**

#### **VI. Action Items**

- a. Action on Green Corp Position Application

*Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Schliep approving the District Manager to apply for a Conservation Corp Position. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- b. Action on Regional Safe Drinking Water Grant Amendment (Date Change)

*Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the Regional Safe Drinking Water Grant Amendment (Date Change). Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- c. Action on Equipment Committee Recommendations from Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 2022

*Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Schliep to approve the Equipment Committee Recommendations from Nov. 16th 2022. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- d. Action on Howard Midje Cost-Share Contract#22-GC-04 Amendment #1 to increase the total amount authorized to a max of \$23,899.50.

*Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the Howard Midje Cost-Share Contract#22-GC-04 Amendment #1 to increase the total amount authorized to a max of \$23,899.50. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- e. Action on Cost-Share Contract Final Payment for Contract #22-GC-004, Howard Midje for constructing a water and sediment control basin @ 90% Cost Share for \$18,999.90 from the Cannon Watershed WBIF.

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the Cost-Share Contract Final Payment for Contract #22-GC-004, Howard Midje for constructing a water and sediment control basin @ 90% Cost Share for \$18,999.90 from the Cannon Watershed WBIF. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- f. Action on Howard Midje Cost-Share Contract#22-GC-07 Amendment #1 to increase the total amount authorized to a max of \$13,450.50.

*Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Howard Midje Cost-Share Contract#22-GC-07 Amendment #1 to increase the total amount authorized to a max of \$13,450.50. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- g. Action on Cost-Share Contract Final Payment for Contract #22-GC-007, Howard Midje for constructing a water and sediment control basin @ 90% Cost Share for \$13,052.25 from the Cannon Watershed WBIF.

*Motioned by Hinck, seconded by McNamara to approve the Cost-Share Contract Final Payment for Contract #22-GC-007, Howard Midje for constructing a water and sediment control basin @ 90% Cost Share for \$13,052.25 from the Cannon Watershed WBIF. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- h. Action on Local Capacity Work Plan

*Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the Local Capacity Work Plan. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

- i. Action on Soil Health Grant Agreement and Work Plan

*Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Comstock to approve the signing of the Soil Health Grant Agreement and to make a decision on the Work Plan @ December 2022 SWCD Board meeting. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

j. Action on Well Sealing Contract Extensions (Contract#2022-01, 2021-05 and #2021-06)

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by McNamara to approve the Well Sealing Contract Extensions (Contract#2022-01, 2021-05 and #2021-06). Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

k. Action on December Personnel Committee and Board Meeting Schedule

*Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Comstock to approve the December Personnel Committee and Board Meeting Schedule to be held on December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

## **VII. Reports**

a. NRCS Report *(See attached)*

b. District Manager's Report

*Kennedy - Tree Sales / Zumbro 1W1P / Townsquare Media / Cannon 1W1P / BWSR Academy / Projects / TSA7*

c. Supervisor's Activity Report

*McNamara, Comstock – Equipment Committee Meeting*

d. Other

*Krier – Goodhue SWCD Year End 2021 Audit (draft) / BWSR Academy*

## **VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables**

a. Approve the October 2022 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual)

*Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the October 2022 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual). Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

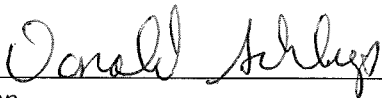
b. Approve November 2022 Accounts Payable

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to approve the November 2022 Accounts Payable Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.*

## **IX. Adjournment**

*Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Schliep to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:03 pm*

*Respectfully submitted*



*Don Schliep*

## **Upcoming Events**

Dec 12-14<sup>th</sup> MASWCD Convention

Dec 20th SWCD Personnel Committee Meeting

**Dec 20th Regular Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting**

Dec 26 Christmas Holiday Observed

January 2<sup>nd</sup> New Years Observed

January 16<sup>th</sup> – Martin Luther King Holiday

January 23<sup>rd</sup> – Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting

# NRCS District Conservationist Report

## **Goodhue Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting November 28, 2022**

### **Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)**

November 18<sup>th</sup> signup deadline – 16 applications for 2023

### **Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) – CIC (Cannon River Watershed)**

Application deadline December 16<sup>th</sup> signup deadline –

<b>Code</b>	<b>Practice Name</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>Lifespan</b>
329	Residue and Tillage Management, No Till	Ac	1
338	Prescribed Burning	Ac	1
340	Cover Crop	Ac	1
449	Irrigation Water Management	Ac	1
528	Prescribed Grazing	Ac	1
554	Drainage Water Management	Ac	1
644	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	Ac	1
645	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	Ac	1
647	Early Successional Habitat Development-Mgt	Ac	1
201	Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-Data Collection and Evaluation	No	1
202	Edge-of-Field Water Quality Monitoring-System Installation	No	1
216	Soil Health Testing	No	1
218	Carbon Sequestration and Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Assessment	No	1
221	Soil Organic Carbon Stock Monitoring	No	1

### **Conservation Stewardship Program**

25 CSP classic applications – FY 23

### **Conservation Reserve program**

FY23 SU59 90 contracts expiring eligible for re-enroll

FY24 Status reviews being completed now

### **Existing projects and conservation planning**

Goodhue NRCS staff

- New Soil Conservation Technician – Emily Voelker started on November 21<sup>st</sup>
- Nathan Bird District Conservationist - last day in Goodhue County December 2nd

November Results Goodhue County

- **Payments on 9 CSP contracts - \$75,772.63**