

Goodhue County SWCD District Regular Board Meeting

Monday April 24th 2023

5:30 PM

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room
104 East 3rd Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

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MINUTES

I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance Meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm by Chair, Mark Comstock

SWCD Supervisors Present	SWCD Staff Present	Others Present
<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>	<i>Call In:</i>
Mark Comstock - Chair	Beau Kennedy - District Manager	Brian Devetter (NRCS)
Chris Hinck – Vice Chair	Delane Krier – Administrative Asst.	
Ed McNamara - Treasurer	Kelsey Petit – Feedlot Officer	
Don Schliep - Secretary		
<i>Not in Attendance:</i>		
Jeff Beckman - Reporter		

II. Approval of the Agenda

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

III. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve 2023 Quarter #1 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2345 to Olmsted County SWCD for \$9,347.81.
- b. Approve 2023 Quarter #1 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #C22-6675 to Goodhue SWCD for \$14,617.24.
- c. Approve 2023 Quarter #1 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2023-04 to Wabasha SWCD for \$2,010.79.
- d. Approve 2023 Quarter #1 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #WAGZ-Q1-23 to Dodge SWCD for \$10,992.60
- e. Approve 2023 Quarter #1 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2017957 to Rice SWCD for \$172.50

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

IV. Secretary’s Report

- a. Approve March 2023 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the March 2023 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

VI. Action Items

- a. Approve Goodhue SWCD 2023 Pay Equity Report for Minnesota Management and Budget.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the Goodhue SWCD 2023 Pay Equity Report for Minnesota Management and Budget. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- b. Approve Flat Rate Cost Share Contract#2023DWSMA-01 with Paul Betcher Rev. Trust/Travis Betcher for Cover Crops and Pasture/Hay Planting in Section 27 of Goodhue TWP for \$13,500.00.

Motioned by Hinck, seconded by McNamara to approve the Flat Rate Cost Share Contract#2023DWSMA-01 with Paul Betcher Rev. Trust/Travis Betcher for Cover Crops and Pasture/Hay Planting in Section 27 of Goodhue TWP for \$13,500.00. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- c. Approve Flat Rate Cost Share Contract#2023DWSMA-02 with Stehr Farms Inc. for Cover Crops, Pasture/Hay Planting and Low Disturbance Manure application incentive in Section 16,20,21,28 of Goodhue TWP for \$55,416.00.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Flat Rate Cost Share Contract#2023DWSMA-02 with Stehr Farms Inc. for Cover Crops, Pasture/Hay Planting and Low Disturbance Manure application incentive in Section 16,20,21,28 of Goodhue TWP for \$55,416.00. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- d. Approve Cost Share Contract#2023WAGZ-GC-04 with Wayne Schilling for installing 3 Grade Stabilization Structures in Section 27&34 of Hay Creek TWP for \$15,551.20 at 90% cost share rate using Zumbro WBIF and EQIP funding.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Cost Share Contract#2023WAGZ-GC-04 with Wayne Schilling for installing 3 Grade Stabilization Structures in Section 27&34 of Hay Creek TWP for \$15,551.20 at 90% cost share rate using Zumbro WBIF and EQIP funding. Affirmative: Comstock, McNamara, Schliep. Abstained: Hinck. Opposed None. Motioned carried.

- e. Approve Cost Share Contract#23-GC-03 with Emery Maher for installing 2 Water and Sediment Control Basins in Section 15 of Warsaw TWP for \$18,929.25 at 90% cost share rate using Cannon River 2021-23 funding.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Cost Share Contract#23-GC-03 with Emery Maher for installing 2 Water and Sediment Control Basins in Section 15 of Warsaw TWP for \$18,929.25 at 90% cost share rate using Cannon River 2021-23 funding. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- f. Approve Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-01 with Belle Creek Watershed District for Controlling Noxious Weeds on BCWD owned Flood Control Structures @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00.
- g. Approve Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-02 with Wanamingo Township Board for Controlling Noxious Weeds on TWP Road Right-of-Ways @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00.
- h. Approve Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-03 with Vasa Township Board for Controlling Noxious Weeds on TWP Road Right-of-Ways @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00.
- i. Approve Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-04 with Belvidere Township Board for Controlling Noxious Weeds on TWP Road Right-of-Ways @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00.

Chair Comstock requested a motion to approve Action items, f. g. h. and i. together due to their similarities in nature. Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Schliep to approve action items f. g. h. and i.; (f) Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-01 with Belle Creek Watershed District for Controlling Noxious Weeds on BCWD owned Flood Control Structures @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00, (g) Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-02 with Wanamingo Township Board for Controlling Noxious Weeds on TWP Road Right-of-Ways @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00, (h) Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-03 with Wanamingo Township Board for Controlling Noxious Weeds on TWP Road Right-of-Ways @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00, and (i) Cooperative Weed Management Cost Share Contract#2023-CWMA-04 with Belvidere Township Board for Controlling Noxious Weeds on TWP Road Right-of-Ways @75% cost share not to exceed \$1,500.00. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- j. Approve Cost Share Contract#23-GC-04 with Hovel Farms Partnership for installing 2 Water and Sediment Control Basins in Section 22 of Cannon Falls TWP for \$14,647.50 at 75% cost share rate using Cannon River 2021-23 funding and Local Capacity funds.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the Cost Share Contract#23-GC-04 with Hovel Farms Partnership for installing 2 Water and Sediment Control Basins in Section 22 of Cannon Falls TWP for \$14,647.50 at 75% cost share rate using Cannon River 2021-23 funding and Local Capacity funds. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- k. Approve Cost Share Contract#23-GC-05 with Patrick Benson for installing 2 Water and Sediment Control Basins in Section 27 of Cannon Falls TWP for \$14,325.00 at 75% cost share rate using Cannon River 2021-23 funding and Local Capacity funds.

Motioned by Hinck, seconded by McNamara to approve the Cost Share Contract#23-GC-05 with Patrick Benson for installing 2 Water and Sediment Control Basins in Section 27 of Cannon Falls TWP for \$14,325.00 at 75% cost share rate using Cannon River 2021-23 funding and Local Capacity funds. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- l. Approve Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Easement #25-06-07-04 Boundary Alteration Proposal for Purposes of Goodhue County Public Works Bridge#25-599-135 Replacement on 400th St. in Goodhue TWP.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the Reinvest in Minnesota (RIM) Easement #25-06-07-04 Boundary Alteration Proposal for Purposes of Goodhue County Public Works Bridge#25-599-135 Replacement on 400th St. in Goodhue TWP. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

VII. Reports

- a. NRCS Report – presented by Brian Devetter
b. District Manager's Report

DWSMA Landowners meeting @ AgPartners Update / Zumbro 1W1P / Cannon 1W1P / Tree Sales / County Ditch / 2024 Budget / SE Employees Meeting / John Deere drill / Red Truck damage / Winona SWCD QuickBooks / Resolutions / TSA7 Motion by McNamara, Seconded by Hinck to spend up to \$300 sponsorship for the July 28th 2023 Practical Farmers of Iowa field day event @ Zach Knutson farm. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- c. Goodhue Staff Reports

Kelsey Petit: 2022 Feedlot Program Review and 2023 Workload

- d. Supervisor's Activity Report

Hinck: Goodhue DWSMA landowners meeting March 22nd / Supervisor Training meeting w/BWSR April 4th

- e. Other

Krier – AgBMP Loan program funding

VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables

- a. Approve the March 2023 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual)

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the March 2023 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual). Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- b. Approve April 2023 Accounts Payables

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Hinck to approve the April 2023 Accounts Payables. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

IX. Adjournment

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted



Don Schliep Mark Comstock

Upcoming Events

- April 27th and 28th – Tree Handout Days
May 8th Zumbro watershed Policy Committee Meeting - Oronoco
May 18th 6th Grade Field Day @ Belle Creek Dam – Otterness
May 22nd Goodhue SWCD Regular Board Meeting
May 29th Memorial Day