

Goodhue County SWCD District Regular Board Meeting

Monday – July 21st 2025

7:30 AM

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room

104 East 3rd Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

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Meeting ID: 230 586 576 018 0 Passcode: w39ZT275

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Minutes

I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance *Meeting was called to order at 7:35 am by Vice Chair Ed McNamara*

SWCD Supervisors Present	SWCD Staff Present	Others Present
<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>
Ed McNamara – Vice Chair	Beau Kennedy - District Manager	Kate Bruss – TSA7
Don Schliep – Secretary	Delane Krier – Administrative Assistant	John Benjamin – NRCS
John Beck – Reporter	Savannah Domnie – Conservation Technician	Chris Schmidt – NRCS
<i>Not in attendance</i>	Kelsey Petit – Feedlot Compliance Coordinator	Tessa Parks – Clean River Partners
Christopher Hinck - Chair	Chris Fritz – District Technician	<i>Call In</i>
Mark Comstock - Treasurer		Dave Copeland

II. Approval of the Agenda

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Agenda as presented.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

III. Consent Agenda

- Approve 2025 Quarter #2 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2497 to Olmsted County SWCD for \$18,917.29 (\$4,616.06 C22 / \$14,301.23 C24)
- Approve 2025 Quarter #2 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2025-49.C24 to the Goodhue SWCD for \$28,424.14 from C24 WAGZ Funding
- Approve 2025 Quarter #2 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2025-49.C22 to the Goodhue SWCD for \$7,035.90 from C22 WAGZ Funding
- Approve 2025 Quarter #2 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2025-42 to the Wabasha SWCD for \$66,358.62
- Approve 2025 Quarter #2 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #WAGZ-25Q2 to the Dodge SWCD for \$12,747.26
- Approve 2025 Quarter #2 WAGZ Watershed Based Implementation Funding Invoice #2025-22 to the SE SWCD TSA for \$5,219.72

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

IV. Secretary's Report

- Approve June 23rd, 2025 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the June 23rd, 2025 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

VI. Action Items

- Action on Sub-Agreement with Clean River Partners to assist with implementing BWSR Grant #C25-0305 in the Little Cannon River Watershed.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Sub-Agreement with Clean River Partners to assist with implementing BWSR Grant #C25-0305 in the Little Cannon River Watershed.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- b. Action on Sub-agreement Between the Goodhue SWCD and the SE TSA7 allocating \$27,864.73 to a Feedlot Improvement project in Goodhue County.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Sub-agreement Between the Goodhue SWCD and the SE TSA7 allocating \$27,864.73 to a Feedlot Improvement project in Goodhue County.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- c. Action on Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #GC-FWQ-02 with Ben O'Connor for constructing a Feedlot Fix in Sec. 9 of Belle Creek TWP @ 24.5% cost-share not to exceed \$27,864.73 using BWSR Feedlot Water Quality funding through the SE TSA7.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #GC-FWQ-02 with Ben O'Connor for constructing a Feedlot Fix in Sec. 9 of Belle Creek TWP @ 24.5% cost-share not to exceed \$27,864.73 using BWSR Feedlot Water Quality funding through the SE TSA7.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- d. Action on Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #GC-25-08 with Ben O'Connor for constructing a Feedlot Fix in Sec. 9 of Belle Creek TWP @ 60.5% cost-share not to exceed \$68,821.04 using Cannon WBIF funding.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #GC-25-08 with Ben O'Connor for constructing a Feedlot Fix in Sec. 9 of Belle Creek TWP @ 60.5% cost-share not to exceed \$68,821.04 using Cannon WBIF funding.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- e. Action on Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #GC-25-09 with Joseph McNamara for constructing 3 Grade stabilization Structures and a Grassed Waterway in Sec. 3 of Warsaw TWP @ 85% cost-share not to exceed \$38,097.00 using Cannon WBIF funding.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #GC-25-09 with Joseph McNamara for constructing 3 Grade stabilization Structures and a Grassed Waterway in Sec. 3 of Warsaw TWP @ 85% cost-share not to exceed \$38,097.00 using Cannon WBIF funding.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- f. Action on the Cancellation of Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #24WAGZ-03 with Tyson Augustine for \$14,832.00 using Zumbro WBIF funding.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the Cancellation of Percent Based Cost-Share Contract #24WAGZ-03 with Tyson Augustine for \$14,832.00 using Zumbro WBIF funding.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

VII. Reports

- a. NRCS Report

Presented by J. Benjamin (see attached)

C. Schmidt introduced himself and gave NRCS updates.

- b. SWCD Staff

B. Kennedy: Quarterly reporting / Zumbro 1W1P / Cannon 1W1P / Nitrate Work Group / Goodhue DWSMA / RCPP Soil Health / Wells Creek Partnership / MPCA / TSA7 Board Meeting

S. Domnie: Monitoring update

K. Petit: Feedlot update

D.Krier: AgBMP Loan update

- c. Supervisor's Activity Report

J. Beck: Nitrate Meeting

E. McNamara: Nitrate Meeting / Feedlot Meeting

D. Schliep: N/A

- d. Other

T. Parker: Introduced herself and spoke about the Clean River Partners

VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables

- a. Approve the June 2025 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual)

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the June 2025 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual)

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

b. Approve July 2025 Accounts Payable

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the July 2025 Accounts Payable.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

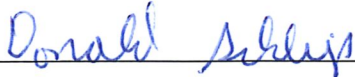
IX. Adjournment

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to adjourn the meeting.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:20 am.

Respectfully submitted



Don Schliep

Upcoming Events

July 24th 6pm – Wells Creek Watershed Picnic – Max Schafer's Place

August 7th – Goodhue County Fair Board Meeting – w/Conservation Farmer 10:00am

August 21st – Zumbro Watershed Tour – WAGZ Group – 9am People Cooperative Oronoco

August 25th – Goodhue SWCD August Board Meeting 7:30am??

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Beck to approve the August 25th, 2025 Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting @ 7:30 am.

Affirmative: Beck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

NRCS Goodhue Field Office Report

Goodhue SWCD Board meeting

7/21/2025

John Benjamin

Chris Schmidt is new Team Lead

- Goodhue is now part of team 17

CSP (Conservation Stewardship Program)

- 24 Active contracts worth roughly **755K** cost share remaining to be paid out
- FY25 CSP Classic apps that were preapproved are obligated.
- 12 CSP Classic applications in pending status
- FY26 CSP Renewal application deadline June 6th.
- 3 FY26 CSP Renewal application submitted

EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentive Program)

- 29 Active EQIP contracts worth roughly **575K** cost share remaining to be paid out
- 31 EQIP25 applications in pending status

RCPP18 (Regional Conservation Partnership Program)

- I have been told all RCPP is on hold status except the 3053 Soil Health AFA
- 2129 MDA MAWQCP no longer offered
- 2881 TU-DA_HFTWAR: Good hue is applicable. Only on designated trout streams.
- 3053 Soil Health AFA (Alternative Funding Agreement)
 1. 25 million granted
 2. 180k first round
 3. SWCD volunteer to be included
 4. Soil health practices
 5. Producers need to be FSA eligible

CRP (Conservation Reserve Program)

- FY26 expiring reviews are completed.
- Continuous SU63 is sign up one ended June 6th
- SU63 sign up two ended July 7/18/2025
- Grassland CRP signup running July 14th – Aug. 8th
- 27 FY27 expiring contract reviews needed
- 21 FY28 expiring contract reviews needed
- 26 PIP payment reviews needed