Goodhue SWCD Regular Board Meeting

Monday – January 25th, 20201 **4:00 PM**

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

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8599817067?pwd=U3pGbEZ6MHJocGhBV3A0cXl3SjZ5QT09
Meeting ID: 859 981 7067 Passcode: 854068 Call in: (312)626-6799

Minutes

I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chair Jeff Beckman. It was noted that due to 'MN Department of Administration Open Meeting Requirements during a State of Emergency', meeting held utilizing telephone conferencing require all votes be taken by roll call, which will be used at this meeting.

SWCD Supervisors Present	SWCD Supervisors Absent	SWCD Staff Present	Others Present
In Person:	Mark Comstock, Vice Chair	In Person:	In Person:
Don Schliep, Secretary		Beau Kennedy, District Manager	Jeff Matzke, NRCS
Christopher Hinck, Reporter		Delane Krier, Administrative Asst.	
Ed McNamara, Treasurer			
Zoom Conference Call:			
Jeff Beckman, Chair			

II. Oath of Office

Jeff Beckman took the Oath of Office. Ed McNamara took the Oath of Office. Christopher Hinck took Oath of Office.

III. Election of Officers

Motioned by Beckman, seconded by McNamara to elect officers the same positions as 2020 for the 2021 calendar year, with Chris Hinck being appointed to the role of Reporter.

- a. Chair: Jeff Beckman b. Vice Chair: Mark Comstock c. Treasurer: Ed McNamara
- d. Secretary: Don Schliep e. Reporter: Christopher Hinck

Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of the Agenda

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

V. Consent Agenda

- 1. Approve payment to SE TSA JPB for 319 Feedlot Grant Technical Assistance work on Chris Hokanson cost-share project \$4,224.61 in Goodhue County.
- 2. Approve payment to Wabasha County SWCD for 319 Feedlot Grant Technical Assistance work on T. Mehrkens project for \$650.37.
- 3. Approve payment to Houston County SWCD for 319 Feedlot Grant Cost-Share and Technical Assistance on the A. Doering project for \$6,163.66.
- 4. Approve payment to Winona County SWCD for 319 Feedlot Grant Technical Assistance work on D.Timm project \$1979.17 and M.Kronebusch project \$2606.50.
- 5. Approve payment Voucher to J.Romo for \$700.00; Cover Crop Multi Species Contract #LCF201-01, upon signature of Payee.

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

VI. Secretary's Report

- 1. Approve December 21, 2020 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

 Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the December 21, 2020 Secretary's Report.

 Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.
- 2. Approve January 11, 2021 District Special Board Meeting Minutes

 Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the January 11, 2021 Secretary's Report with the addition of absentee Board Members.

Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

VII. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

VIII. Action Items

1. Appointment of SWCD Committees

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the SWCD Committees as documented. (See Attached) Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

2. Action to Set SWCD Board Meeting Time & Dates

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to set the Goodhue SWCD Board meeting time and dates to 4th Monday of the Month @ 7:30 pm (April – November) 4:00 pm (December – March) with the ability to change as needed. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

3. Designate Official County Newspaper

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to set the Red Wing Republican Eagle as the Goodhue SWCD official County Newspaper. Alternate newspapers will follow the same as Goodhue County. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

4. Action on Payment of 2021 Dues: Envirothon; \$175.00, SE MASWCD; \$500, SE SWCD Tech Support JPB; \$3,000, MASWCD; \$4,697.21, CRWJPB; \$5,000, NACD; \$775.00.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the 2021 Dues: Envirothon; \$175.00, SE MASWCD; \$500, SE SWCD Tech Support JPB; \$3,000, MASWCD; \$4,697.21, CRWJPB; \$5,000, NACD; \$775.00.

Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

- 5. Action on Review and Approval of SWCD Charges for Services (2021 Fee Schedule)
 Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the SWCD Charges for Service (2021 Fee Schedule)
 as discussed with the change on Traux Drill fee to \$14/ac. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep.
 Opposed None. Motion carried.
- 6. <u>Action on Walk-In Access Contract with the MN DNR. Authorize District Manager to sign agreement once developed</u>

Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Schliep to approve the Walk-In Access Contract with the MN DNR. Authorize District Manager to sign agreement once developed. Affirmative: None. Opposed: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Motion failed.

7. Action on 2019 One Watershed One Plan Grant Amendment

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the 2019 One Watershed One Plan Grant Amendment. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

8. Action on MAWQCP Amendment with Wabasha SWCD extending the grant period Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the MAWQCP Amendment with Wabasha SWCD extending the grant period. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

IX. Reports

- 1. NRCS Report (see attached)
- 2. District Manager's Report
 - a. Financial Statement Signatures
 - b. Bank updated Signatures
 - c. Supervisor Handbook/Employee Handbook
 - d. Legislative Letter

- e. Covid 19 Policy
 Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to extend the Covid 19 Policy to September 30, 2021. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.
- f. FY21 Budget
- g. Plant Sales
- h. Tree Inventory
- 3. Supervisor's Activity Report *McNamara: Feedlot Calendar*
- 4. Other National NACD Convention Virtual February 1st 10th

 Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep for Goodhue SWCD to pay registration fee for Board Members who choose to attend the National NACD Convention Virtual February 1st-10th. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

X. Treasurer's Report / Payables

1. Approve the December 2020 Financial Reports

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the December 2020 Financial Reports. Affirmative:

Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

2. Approve the January 2021 Accounts Payable Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Hinck to approve the January 2021 Accounts Payable. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

XI. Adjournment

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Don Schliep, Secretáry

Upcoming Events

February 15th – Holiday (Presidents Day)

February Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting – February 22nd, 2021

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE 2021COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

COMMITTEE

MEMBER(S)

P.R. & I

(Public Relations & Info.)

(Legislative Contact)

Jeff Beckman Ed McNamara

Water Plan Policy Committee

Beau Kennedy Jeff Beckman

Goodhue County FAC

Beau Kennedy

Equipment/Building Needs

Mark Comstock Ed McNamara Beau Kennedy

Personnel/Finance Committee

Mark Comstock Jeff Beckman

Wetland Conservation Act

Don Schliep Beau Kennedy

RC & D

Don Schliep

County Commissioner

Cannon River Watershed

Prairie Creek
Little Cannon
Belle Creek
(Main)

Jeff Beckman - Primary Ed McNamara - Alternate Don Schliep - Alternate

Zumbro River Watershed

Middle North Trout Brook Bear Valley (Main) Mark Comstock - Primary Ed McNamara - Alternate Don Schliep - Alternate

Mississippi

Spring Creek
Bullard
Wells Creek
Hay Creek
(Main)

Chris Hinck - Primary Ed McNamara - Alternate Mark Comstock – Alternate **RIM Screening Committee**

Chris Hinck Chris Fritz

Resource Agency Reps Citizens-At-Large

Feedlot Committee

Don Schliep Jeff Beckman Kelsey Petit

SE SWCD Technical

Support JPB

Ed McNamara

Chris Hinck (Alternate)

Beau Kennedy

Loan Committee

Jeff Beckman Don Schliep Delane Krier

Beau Kennedy (Alternate) County Representatives

Nutrient Management Committee

Mark Comstock Ed McNamara Coty Hyllengren Kelsie Petit

Cost-Share Prioritization

Committee

Beau Kennedy Coty Hyllengren

Chris Fritz (Alternate)

Ed McNamara

Don Schliep (Alternate)

NRCS Program Updates: January 25th, 2021

Contract / Application Status

- 25 active CSP contracts
- 7 active EQIP contracts
- 46 CSP Classic 2020-1 applications
- 40 EQIP 2020 applications (32 High Priority; 27 want to move forward)

Upcoming Program Deadlines

EQIP

EQIP 2021-1

- Assessment/Ranking March 5th, 2021
- Approval April 9th, 2021
- Obligation July 2nd, 2021

EQIP 2021-2

• Batching Date – March 5th, 2021

CSP

CSP-Renewal applications that were not funded in the last go around will be allowed to compete for funding in the next CSP-General sign-up.

CSP 2021-Classic

- Application March 26th, 2021
- Assessment/Ranking April 2nd, 2021
- Approval June 4th, 2021
- Obligation July 23rd, 2021

CSP 2022-Renewal

- Application March 26th, 2021
- Assessment/Ranking TBA
- Approval TBA
- Obligation TBA