

Goodhue County SWCD District Regular Board Meeting

Monday – February 28th, 2022

5:00 PM

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room

104 East 3rd Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

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

Minutes

I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance Meeting was called to order at 5:02 by Chairman, Jeff Beckman.

SWCD Supervisors Present	SWCD Supervisors Absent	SWCD Staff Present	Others Present
<i>In Person:</i>		<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>
<i>Jeff Beckman - Chair</i>	<i>Don Schliep - Secretary</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>Via Zoom:</i>
<i>Ed McNamara - Treasurer</i>		<i>Chris Fritz – District Technician</i>	<i>Brian DeVetter - NRCS</i>
<i>Mark Comstock - Reporter</i>		<i>Coty Hyllengren – District Technician</i>	

II. Approval of the Agenda

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

III. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve 319 Small Feedlot Fix Invoice #2022-3 Wabasha SWCD for \$61,215.78 – Polson (part 2) and Klein Cost-Share Projects.
- b. Approve Payment Voucher to Grant Quam #LCF2020-04 for \$1,000.00, Local Capacity Cost Share for seeding 40 acres of Single-Species Cover Crop.

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

(5:26 McNamara entered the meeting)

IV. Secretary's Report

- a. Approve January 2022 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

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

V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

VI. Action Items

- a. Approve and Sign FY 2022 BWSR Watershed-Based Implementation Funding Grant Agreement C22-6675 for the Greater Zumbro River WBIF for \$1,216.243.

Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Comstock to approve the FY 2022 BWSR Watershed-Based Implementation Funding Grant Agreement C22-6675 for the Greater Zumbro River WBIF for \$1,216.243. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- b. Approve Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro Watershed (WAGZ) Sub-Agreement with Steele County SWCD

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro Watershed (WAGZ) Sub-Agreement with Steele County SWCD. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

- c. Approve Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro Watershed (WAGZ) Sub-Agreement with Rice County SWCD

Motioned by Hinck, seconded by McNamara to approve the Watershed Alliance for the Greater Zumbro Watershed (WAGZ) Sub-Agreement with Rice County SWCD. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

d. Review and Approve 2022 Goodhue SWCD Personnel Policy Update

Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Comstock to approve the 2022 Goodhue SWCD Personnel Policy Update. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

e. Approve Supervisors and Staff Attendance at the MASWCD Legislative Day at the Capital on March 9th and 10th.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the Supervisors and Staff Attendance at the MASWCD Legislative Day at the Capital on March 9th and 10th. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

f. Approve Goodhue SWCD Hosting June 24th 2022 Farm Meeting @ Ed McNamara farm.

Motioned by Comstock, seconded by Hinck to host the June 24th 2022 field day at Ed McNamara farm and be the fiscal agent. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

VII. Reports

- a. NRCS Report – Nathan Bird, District Conservationist introduced himself and gave an update report (see attached)
- b. Staff Reports
 - a. Coty Hyllengren – Cost share program and drill updates
 - b. Chris Fritz – RIM, CRP, County Ditch and Truax drill program updates
- c. District Manager's Report
 - a. SWCD Aid Discussion, Filing Period, MCIT Training, LOS – Anderson Center
- d. Supervisor's Activity Report

Beckman: Legislation Meeting, Personnel Policy Meeting / Hinck: Personnel Policy Meeting / McNamara: NACD Annual Conference in Orlando, Wab/Goodhue/Olmsted Cow/Calve Meeting.

- e. Other

VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables

- a. Approve the January 2022 Financial Reports (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual)

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

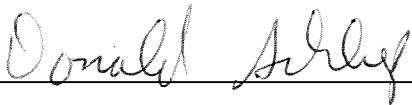
- b. Approve February 2022 Accounts Payable

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

IX. Adjournment

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara. Opposed: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 6:55.

Respectfully submitted



Don Schliep

Upcoming Events

March 1st SE SWCD Spring Supervisors Zoom meeting

March 9th & 10th Legislative Day at the Capital

March 28th Regular Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting

NRCS District Conservationist Report
Goodhue Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting
February 28, 2022

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

We are working on developing plans and ranking 93 EQIP applications (23 in Goodhue). Ranking deadline is March 4th.

Conservation Stewardship Program

Sign-up deadline for 2022 General CSP was February 4th. Completed screening and have 46 (33 in Goodhue) high priority applications to complete planning on. April 15th is assessment and ranking deadline.

NRCS Staffing in SE Area:

John Benjamin is new Wabasha DC.

Conservation Reserve program

March 11th sign-up deadline for general CRP. 107 expiring contracts, most of those participants are interested in re-enroll. Continuous sign-up for 2023 will be accepted in April (up to 6 month prior to start date).