# **District Regular Board Meeting**

Monday – August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021 **7:30 PM** 

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room 104 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

#### **Minutes**

# I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Chairman, Jeff Beckman.

| SWCD Supervisors Present    | SWCD Supervisors<br>Absent | SWCD Staff Present                 | Others Present       |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| In Person:                  |                            | In Person:                         | In Person:           |
| Jeff Beckman, Chair         |                            | Beau Kennedy, District Manager     | Jeff Matzke, NRCS    |
| Mark Comstock, Vice Chair   |                            | Delane Krier, Administrative Asst. | Catherine Thom, NRCS |
| Don Schliep, Secretary      |                            |                                    |                      |
| Christopher Hinck, Reporter |                            |                                    |                      |
| Ed McNamara, Treasurer      |                            |                                    |                      |

# II. Approval of the Agenda

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

# III. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Payment Voucher to Dwain England for \$1,494.94, Cost Share Contract #2020-05; Grassed Waterway
- b. Approve Zumbro 1W1P Reimbursement Payment to Barr Engineering Invoice #23551058-23 for \$9,053.16. Expense approved @ August 12<sup>th</sup> 2021 Zumbro 1W1P Policy Committee meeting.
- c. Approve Zumbro 1W1P Reimbursement Payments to Olmsted County SWCD Q2 Invoice #2266 for \$3,025.53. Expense approved @ August 12<sup>th</sup> 2021 Zumbro 1W1P Policy Committee meeting. Motioned by Comstock, seconded by McNamara to approve the Consent Agenda. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

## IV. Secretary's Report

a. Approve July 2021 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the July 2021 District Regular Board Meeting
Minutes. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion
carried.

# V. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

#### VI. Action Items

#### a. Supervisor's Per Diem Options

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the Supervisor's Per Diem as stated: A supervisor shall receive compensation for services of \$100 per day, and may be reimbursed for expenses, including traveling expense, necessarily incurred in the discharge of duties. If a supervisor attends more than one (1) SWCD approved activity per day, they will be reimbursed a maximum of \$125.00. A supervisor may be reimbursed for the use of the supervisor's automobile in the performance of official duties at a rate up to the maximum tax-deductible mileage rate permitted under the federal Internal Revenue code. (Minnesota Statutes, section 103C.315 Subd.4.). Approval must be obtained from the Board for all out-of-state travel. All reimbursements for travel related

expenses require the appropriate receipts. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

b. Action on Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #LCF2021-01; Roger Overby, multi-species mix of Cover Crops @ \$35/ac. on 40 acres for 3 years, not to exceed \$4,200.00 from the 2021 Local Capacity Fund. (per Non-Structural Land Management Plan, the Goodhue SWCD Manager Signed this contract on Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 2021)

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #LCF2021-01; Roger Overby, multi-species mix of Cover Crops @ \$35/ac. on 40 acres for 3 years, not to exceed \$4,200.00 from the 2021 Local Capacity Fund. (per Non-Structural Land Management Plan, the Goodhue SWCD Manager Signed this contract on Aug 11<sup>th</sup> 2021). Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

c. Action on Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #21-GC-004; Carlson Brothers, single-species mix of Cover Crops @ \$35/ac. on 20 acres for 3 years, not to exceed \$2,100.00, 2021 Cannon WBIF

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Hinck to approve the Cover Crop Flat Rate Conservation Practice Assistance Contract #21-GC-004; Carlson Brothers, single-species mix of Cover Crops @ \$35/ac. on 20 acres for 3 years, not to exceed \$2,100.00, 2021 Cannon WBIF. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

d. <u>Action on Goodhue EPA 319 Small Feedlot Sub-Agreement Amendment</u>

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Goodhue EPA 319 Small Feedlot Sub-Agreement Amendment. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

### VII. Reports

- a. NRCS Report (see attached)
- b. District Manager's Report (Beau Kennedy)

County Fair, Vehicle Repair, Zumbro 1W1P, MASWCD Resolution, BWSR stormwater, BCWD, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip, Feedlot Follow up, Palmer Amaranth item, JPB meeting and Grants

c. Supervisor's Activity Report

Schliep: County Meeting / Hinck: JPB & County Meetings / Comstock: County & 1W1P Meetings/ Beckman: NRCS Training at his farm

- d. Other
  - a. Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Comstock to approve the attendance of all staff and supervisors at the Area 7 Supervisor/Employee Meeting Yak Farm in Goodhue Co and pay the meals and registration expenses, Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, and Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.

# VIII. Treasurer's Report / Payables

- a. Approve the July 2021 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual) Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the July 2021 Financial Report (Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual). Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried.
- b. Approve August 2021 Accounts Payable

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

## IX. Adjournment

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beckman, Comstock, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed: None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Donald Schliep

Upcoming Events

Sept 6<sup>th</sup> 2021: Labor Day

Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> 2021: Area 7 Supervisor/Employee Meeting-Yak Farm in Goodhue Co.

Sept 27<sup>th</sup> 2021: Board Meeting, 7:30 pm

# NRCS Program Updates: August 23rd, 2021

# **Contract / Application Status**

- 33 active CSP contracts
- 22 active EQIP contracts
- 1 preapproved EQIP applications
- 56 CSP Classic 2021-1 applications
- 12 CSP 2022- Renewal Applications (4 High Priority)
- 30 EQIP 2021 applications

# **Upcoming Program Deadlines**

**EQIP** 

EQIP 2021-2

• Obligation Deadline – September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**CSP** 

CSP 2022-Renewal

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

# **EQIP FY21 Summary**

Contracts: 15

Obligated amount: \$719,845

Acres: 1,420 ac.

# **CSP FY21 Summary**

Contracts: 8

Obligated amount: \$189,105

Acres: 2,143.8 acres