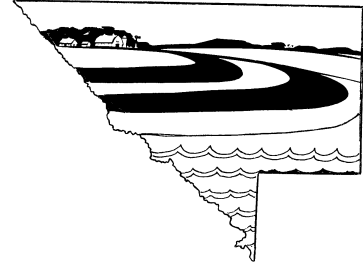


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Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Board Meeting August 1, 2022

Minutes of the Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District, Courthouse, NRCS/SWCD office, Montevideo, MN 56265.

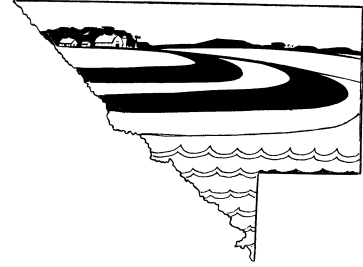
1. Meeting was **called to order** by Board Chair Steve Jacobson at 3:00 p.m.
 - Members **present**: Steve Jacobson, Calin Eisenlohr, Steve Sunderland
 - Others **present**: SWCD staff: Desirae Jarett, Zach Bothun, Tom Warner, Tom Sletta; NRCS staff: Shantel Lozinski
2. M/S/P Sunderland, Eisenlohr approve the agenda. All in favor.
3. M/S/P Sunderland, Eisenlohr approve the June meeting minutes. All in favor.
4. Bills were presented for ratification & payment.
5. **NRCS Report**-Shantel Lozinski:
6. NRCS monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: finished CSP contracting/obligating on new contract; women's field day planning/powerpoint; CRP plan writing; CRP status reviews/seeding checks; EQIP site visits; Women's Field Day; Ag Water Quality plan for water improvement to grazing plan; 1026s; 3 WACOBs completed and checked out; fair booth set up/take down; CRP COC meeting for repair money for wetland restoration; and CSP re-enrolls.
7. **Staff Reports**-
 - **District Manager**: monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: all trees and fabric have been installed; tree order was placed for spring 2023; cleaned tree building; working on tree plans for next year; filled out cost share vouchers for contracts 2021-7 and 2021-8; wrote up WCA NOD for CCM Health site, Riley Solar Site, Rosewood Solar Site; had TEP meeting with consultant for Rosewood solar site; wrote WCA No-Loss Decision for JD 18; signed transaction form to deposit credits for the Fosso/Buss bank site; worked on tile drain requests; worked with landowner, BWSR, DNR CO, on possible wetland violation; looked for reference wetland sites next to a bank site for comparison for BWSR; looked into another possible wetland violation; worked with landowners on haying agreements, beaver issues, changing conservation practices/modifying conservation plan; mowed CRP site; rototilled tree sites and wildlife food plots; and read ob wells. Tom also discussed upcoming projects.
 - **Technical Manager**: monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: CRWA 1W1P TAC meetings and bus tour; CMRWP 1W1P: TAC meetings, JPB meetings, finalized setting up Joint Powers Entity with banking and eLINK, etc., staff working on a Watershed Based Implementation Funding (WBIF) grant application, work plan to follow BWSR approval of application, assurance measures, CMRWP 1W1P likely will be ready to start funding project early fall; finished seeding season; reading BWSR WCA Rules book in prep for weeklong MWPCP Training; CRP surveying and flagging; helped FSA with boundary/contract dispute; joined Tom on a TEP meeting for solar garden; fair set up and take down; and rototilling.
 - **District Technician**: monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: planted trees; seeded CRP; mowed food plots; read ob wells; conducted RIM spot checks; set up fair booth; completed cost share contract and went to landowner meeting with Tom W.; and worked on CREP easements.
8. **New Business**
 - Tom Warner presented cost share contracts:
 - Contract 2022-1

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- Landowner: LeRoy Williamson
- Practice: 378 Pond
- Location: T117-R40-S35
- Total Project Cost: \$62,912.50
- Cost Share Requested: \$23,592.19 not to exceed 75% of total project cost
- Contract 2022-2
 - Landowner: LeRoy Williamson
 - Practice: 600 Terrace
 - Location: T117-R40-S35
 - Total Project Cost: \$13,664.10
 - Cost Share Requested: \$5,124.04 not to exceed 75% of total project cost
- M/S/P Eisenlohr, Sunderland approve cost share contracts as presented.
- Tom Warner presented cost share vouchers:
 - Contract 2021-7
 - Landowner: George & Donna Piotter
 - Total Amount Authorized: \$706.50
 - Total to be Approved for Payment: \$366.50
 - Contract 2021-8
 - Landowner: George & Donna Piotter
 - Total Amount Authorized: \$2,478.98
 - Total to be Approved for Payment: \$943.50
 - M/S/P Sunderland, Eisenlohr approve payments as presented.
- Desirae gave a grant balance update as of 6/30/22 and noted receipt of 2023 Conservation Delivery and 2023 State Cost Share funding.

9. Adjourn

Next Meeting: Monday, September 12, 2022 3 p.m.–Commissioner’s Room

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