

LINCOLN SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT . . .



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Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District

Minutes of the Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation District, Regular Meeting, Lincoln SWCD Office, Ivanhoe, MN, April 19, 2023 @ 7:00 a.m. Meeting for March and April 2023.

Board Members Present:

Conrad Schardin, Chair
Dale Fier, Vice Chair
Keith Olsen, Treasurer- Absent
Tony Dwire, Secretary- Absent
Ronald Bunjer, PRI-

District Staff Present:

Dale Sterzinger, Manager/WCA Admin.
Austin DeVlaeminck, Conservation. Tech.
Sam Schardin, Engineering Technician

Meeting called to order at 7:05 a.m. April 19, 2023 by Chairperson Conrad Schardin.

Approve Agenda

- Motion to approve the agenda.
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Fier
 - Passed- 3-0

Minutes – February 17, 2023 Meeting

- Discussed minutes. No corrections or additions.
- Motion Made to approve the minutes of February 17, 2023 regular meeting
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Bunjer
 - Passed- 3-0

Treasurer's Report

- Motion made to approve Treasurer's report
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Bunjer
 - Passed- 3-0

Bills

- Motion made to approve bills
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Fier
 - Passed- 3-0

The mission of the Lincoln SWCD is to protect and improve the quality of our water, soil, and natural resources by providing programs and services to the citizens and owners of Lincoln County to implement conservation practices.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

Resolution to adopt and implement the Lac Qui Parle-Yellow Bank comprehensive watershed management plan approved by Lincoln County.

- Discussion was held on the Resolution by Lincoln County.

Commissioners meeting report by Manager

- Manager gave an overview of the report given to the Commissioners.

Bank CD rates

- Discussion was held on the new CD's.

Check signing signature sheet

- Board members signed form for money market account that First Security Bank needed for their records.

March 7, 2023 Legislative Briefing in St. Paul

- Report was given by those who attended the briefing.

Pictometry update

- Discussion held on the SWCD's financial obligation to the update.

Local Work Group Results

- Manger gave an update on the survey results for the local work group. Motion made to accept the survey results.
 - Motion- Fier
 - Second- Bunjer
 - Passed- 3-0

2022 Conservation Award Winner Presentation

- Discussion was held on the presentation of the award given to Mitch Pederson of Rural Hendricks.

Cab Cam for the 15 foot drill

- Discussion was held on the purchase of a cab cam for watching the chain drive on the 15 foot grass seeder.

CRP Measuring

- Motion was made to not have the SWCD staff mark CRP boundaries due to it being a federal program. The SWCD cannot take on the liability of mismarking boundaries.
 - Motion- Bunjer
 - Second- Fier
 - Passed- 3-0

Highway 14 Tour Report

- Discussion held on the Highway 14 tour meeting held in Lake Benton on March 14, 2023.

Seed ordering options

- Discussion was held on ordering mixes in bulk or individually for customers.

Seed Program update

- Technician gave an over view of the program updates. 1600 acres to custom seed and 300 acres for the rental drill.

Tree Program update

- Conservation Technician gave an over view of the program. 23 plantings with just over 15,000 trees sold

Ag BMP funding update

- Manager gave a brief update. Additional funding may be coming to the counties in the amount of \$50,000.

State Cost Share Audit by BWSR

- Discussion was held on the State cost share audit completed by Jason Beckler of BWSR.

SWPTSA Update

- Manager gave an update on TSA services

Watershed Reports

- Manager gave a brief report for each watershed.
 - **Yellow Medicine River One Watershed One Plan**
 - Projects update
 - Issues and concerns were discussed
 - CRP incentive grant and BWSR assistance grants were discussed.
 - Policy and Planning work group meetings discussed
 - **Lac Qui Parle River Watershed One Watershed One Plan**
 - Partners meeting discussed
 - BWSR Board meeting March 22 for plan was approved
 - Letters sent out to landowners. 147 letters sent.
 - **Missouri River One Watershed One Plan**
 - Policy meeting held on April 10.
 - MS4Front Tracking System
 - Conservation Agronomist Position
 - **Redwood Watershed- Local plan basin project**
 - Manager discussed with area 2 about applying for the planning grant in 2023.

Other Business

- **Drill storage fee**
 - Consensus of the board was to pay \$300 to Conrad Schardin for the storage of the 15 foot planter.
- **Discussion of Quickbooks**
 - Discussion was held at it was the consensus of the board to not use Quickbooks online version. We will stay with the desktop version.

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- **Cost Share Contract FY23-SH-01 for Cover Crops \$7500 Kevin Fier**
 - Motion was made to approve cost share contract FY23-SH-01 for cover crops in the amount of \$7500 to Kevin Fier.
 - Motion-Bunjer
 - Second- Fier
 - Passed- 3-0

- **County Commissioner Report- No Report**
- **District Manager's Report**
 - WCA report was given

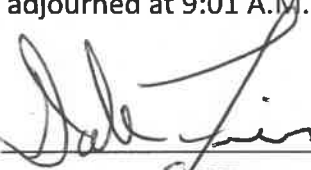
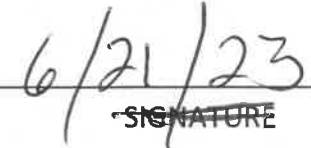
- **Engineering Technician Report**
 - Cover crop contract in well head area
 - Rain gage monitoring report
 - Lac Qui Parle 1W1P work

- **Conservation Technician Report-**
 - Whingelby CREP
 - Walk in Access
 - Environmental Fair Report
 - Soil Health Trainings

- **NRCS Report- No Report**

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for May 17, 2023 @ 7:00 A.M. at the Lincoln SWCD Office. Meeting was adjourned at 9:01 A.M. Motion made by Bunjer, Seconded by Fier to adjourn. Passed 3-0.

APPROVED:

DATE
SIGNATURE