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**Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation
District Regular Board Meeting
May 25, 2023
8:15 am
County Conference
Room
625 Jefferson Ave.**

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE**
- III. AGENDA**
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
Comments limited to 5 minutes per speaker
- V. CONSENT AGENDA -Board Action**
Items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board and may be enacted through one motion. Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed by any of the Board members for separate consideration.
 - A. Contract for Services – Jennifer Wahls, Landscape Connections LLC. Effective period March 23, 2023 to June 30, 2025 for the Landowner Survey of the Lower Zumbro.
- VI. SECRETARY’S REPORT**
 - A. April 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes – **Board Action**
- VII. TREASURER’S REPORT – Board Action**
 - A. April District Financial Statements
- VIII. PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS**
 - A. Monthly Bills in the amount of \$35,649.49 - **Board Action**
- IX. DISTRICT REPORTS**
 - A. Chair Report – Lynn Zabel
 - B. County Commissioner – Bob Walkes
 - C. District Manager Report – Terri Peters
 - D. NRCS Report – John Benjamin – (in packet)
 - E. District Technician Report- Matt Kempinger (in packet)
 - F. Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant -Sue Cerwinske (in packet)
 - G. BWSR Report – None
 - H. Other agencies – None

X. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Conservation Project – Lynn (open to any Supervisor for ideas)

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Bank Signatories -- **Board Action - Signatures**
WNB Bank – Account Agreements and Entity Authorization - All Sign
- B. Approve Steve Evers Contract# 23CWF-WIC-1 in the amount of \$13,999.62 for 410 Grade Stabilization Structure – **Board Action**
(Funding source 2023 West Indian Creek Watershed Restoration and Protection)
- C. Approve sub-agreement between SE SWCD Technical Support Joint Powers Board and Wabasha SWCD utilizing MN BWSR Funding for Feedlot Water Quality Improvements – **Board Action**
(SE SWCD Technical Support JPB is TSA7 which is the P22-8660 BWSR Grant Administrator. Sub-agreement not to exceed \$91,483.00 (Tom Miller)
- D. Approve Tom Miller Contract# 23-BWSRFeedlot-01 in the amount of \$91,483.00 for 313 Waste Storage Facility – **Board Action**
(Funding FY22-24 BWSR Feedlot Grant (Area 7 TSA/JPB)
- E. Approve White Water JPB Cover Crop Amendment to Sub-agreement between Whitewater JPB and Wabasha County SWCD. This amendment extends the date of sub-agreement to December 31, 2024 and includes \$45,000.00 in funds for cover crop incentives. – **Board Action**
- F. MASWCD Area 7 Meeting Agenda for June 27– Need head count by Friday, May 26th.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pPm4fz_pYFA&authuser=1
Link for Partnering for Progress
- G. Unfunded Cooperative Agreement between NRCS and Wabasha SWCD - **Discussion**
Statement of Work
Unfunded Cooperative Agreement Initial Estimate and Annual Usage Report
Unfunded Cooperative Agreement Face Sheet
- H. Audit quote for 2022 financial statements from Smith Schafer & Associates LTD \$6,170.00. – No other quotes at this time -**Board Action**
- I. Upcoming Events:
i. Local Work Group meeting June 22 a.m.
(Note: We will recess regular meeting)
ii. Area 7 Supervisors Meeting, June 27 at Stewartville Legion. Registration 9:00 am. Cody Fox would like head count of staff/supervisors attending.

XII. Board Reports

A. Whitewater JPB – Lynn

B. Zumbro 1W1P – Dag

Dag attended the 5-11 WAGZ meeting at People’s Energy Coop, Oronoco.

A backup person needs to be appointed as Dag will not be able to attend 8-10-23 meeting. Dag sent an email to supervisors with recap of the meeting.

Jeff Broberg representing MN Well Owners Organization presented the “Petition to EPA to use emergency authority to address the drinking water crisis in southeastern Minnesota” (See Summary Page of Petition)

C. WinLaC 1W1P – Lynn

D. SE SWCD Technical Support JPB - Dag

E. County Board Meeting – Sharleen

XIII. Motion to recess regular session to go into closed session -Board Action

XIV. Open Closed Session – Board Action

A. Discuss job grade and posting for Conservation Planning and Outreach Technician position.

XV. Motion to reopen regular session -Board Action

XVI. Adjourn – Board Action