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**Wabasha Soil and Water Conservation
District Regular Board Meeting
July 27, 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. Fred Keller AgBMP Loan Application for a Vertical Beater Manure Spreader. Spreads more evenly with less manure runoff - \$49,500.00
 - B. Automatic cancellation of Mike Haase Contract# 22-CS-2 for \$1,000.00 for 314 Brush Management because the installation date of 6/30/2023 has expired.
 - C. Val Adler voucher payment for Contract# 21-Capacity-4 in the amount of \$6,423.63 for practice 638 Water & Sediment Control Basin.
- VI. SECRETARY'S REPORT**
 - A. June 22, 2023 Meeting Minutes – **Board Action**
- VII. TREASURER'S REPORT – Board Action**
 - A. June District Financial Statements
- VIII. PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS**
 - A. Monthly Bills in the amount of \$77,622.06 - **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)
- B. 2023 Natural Resources Technician Job Description
- C. Decision to hire Katelyn Abts. Interviewed in June - Start date would be August 8th, following AmeriCorps term end. – **Board Action**
- D. Consideration to host another AmeriCorps member – **Board Action**

XI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **8:45 am** - Shawn Huth, Wabasha County Human Resources – Update/Power Point on legislative changes that will affect the Soil and Water Conservation District.
- B. Approve quote to purchase 3 new Dell 7680 /USDA computers - \$14,496.12 – **Board Action**
(Funding sources: 2023 Local Capacity \$9,566.00, 2023 Buffer \$4,930.12)
- C. Newsletters – Informational only
 - i. SWCD Newsletter
 - ii. West Indian Newsletter
 - iii. WinLaC brochure – (hand out at meeting)
- D. Introduction to new employee Jenna Rasmusson
- E. Updated Cost Share Policy – **Board Action/Signature**
- F. No-till Drill – Donation from US Fish & Wildlife
- G. Approve Sheri Sexton Contract# 20-Capacity-9 in the amount of \$2,500.00 for practice 384 -Woody Residue Treatment – **Board Action**
(Funding source 2020 Capacity \$1,453.72 and 2021 Capacity \$1,046.28 contingent on getting Sheri’s signature)
- H. Upcoming Events:
 - i. Changed date to August 16th for West Indian Creek Social at Theilman Opera House

XII. Board Reports

- A. Whitewater JPB – Lynn
- B. Zumbro 1W1P – Dag
- C. WinLaC 1W1P – Lynn
- D. SE SWCD Technical Support JPB - Dag
- E. County Board Meeting – Sharleen

XIII. Adjourn – Board Action