

**FARIBAULT COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
FARIBAULT COUNTY AG CENTER
SWCD AG CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
BLUE EARTH, MN 56013
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 9th, 2020**

Chairman Bell called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 11:23 a.m.

SUPERVISORS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN – JEFF BELL
VICE-CHAIRMAN – RANDY FEIST
TREASURER – DAVE MATHEWS
SECRETARY – NEAL MENSING
P/R – BILL ANDERSON

SUPERVISORS ABSENT:

None

STAFF & OTHERS PRESENT:

Nate Carr, Amy Huber, Shane Johnson, Dustin Anderson and Nicki Miranowski.

I. APPROVALS

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/ADDITIONS

Motion by Feist to approve the Agenda. Seconded by Mensing. Motion carried.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Anderson to approve the minutes of the November 10th, 2020, SWCD Board meeting. Seconded by Mathews. Motion carried.

Motion by Mathews to approve the minutes of the November 23rd, 2020, SWCD Special Board meeting. Seconded by Mensing. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF REVISED 2021 BUDGET

Motion by Anderson to approve the Revised 2021 Budget with corrections. Seconded by Feist. Motion carried.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion by Mensing to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Mathews. Motion carried.

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Mathews to pay all outstanding bills. Seconded by Anderson. Board member Neal Mensing abstained. Motion carried.

6. TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO PAY BILLS

Motion by Feist to approve the Transfer of Funds in the amount of \$255,000.00 to pay the bills. Seconded by Mathews. Motion carried.

II. OLD BUSINESS

1. GRIEVANCES/OTHER – None

11:55 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – The Board took a recess for Lunch

III. NEW BUSINESS –

1. Drainage Department/FSA update

Dustin Anderson- Discussed drainage business

Nicki Miranowski- Discussed FSA business

2. COST-SHARE CONTRACT/VOUCHER SPREADSHEET/PROJECT LOG

Shane Johnson and Nate Carr briefed the Board on the Cost-Share Requests & Payments.

ENCUMBERING –

Motion by Mensing to approve the Cost-Share Encumbering Requests as presented for a total of \$9980.00. Seconded by Mathews. Motion Carried.

VOUCHER PAYMENTS –

Motion by Mathews to approve the Cost Share Payments as presented for a total of \$248,298.93. Seconded by Feist. Board member Neal Mensing abstained. Motion Carried.

The complete and detailed list of Encumbering and Payment requests are attached to the official minutes and are available in the SWCD office.

2. STAFF PROGRAM UPDATES/REQUESTS –

Motion by Mensing to approve the KBEW Plan C Ad proposal for 2021. Seconded by Mathews. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson to approve the quote from Bauer Built Tire for tires on the 2014 Ford Truck. Seconded by Feist. Motion carried.

Board discussion regarding trading the current SWCD owned 4-wheeler, before year-end. Board requested Nate Carr to get quotes and report back to the board.

3. GRANTS, POLICY, CONTRACTS –

Update on SSTS Low Income Grant Extension to 12/31/2021 was approved by BWSR.

Motion by Mensing to approve the GBERBA Joint Powers Agreement. Seconded by Mathews. Motion carried.

Motion by Anderson to approve the NLMP Implementation Policy effective for 2021. Seconded by Mensing. Motion carried

4. SUPERVISOR UPDATES -

Board member Mensing mentioned he attended a GBERBA meeting, they discussed the Joint Powers agreement and they also have a few members retiring at the end of 2020.

Motion by Mathews to approve the upcoming meetings/events/trainings for Board Supervisors: December 18th – GBERBA Executive Meeting (Neal).
Seconded by Mensing. Motion carried.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS -

1. Motion by Anderson to approve the Regular Board Meeting Schedule as presented for 2021. Seconded by Mathews. Motion carried.

2. Motion by Feist to approve the Action Items from the Personnel Meeting. Seconded by Anderson. Motion carried.

3. January Board Meeting

The next SWCD Regular Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 13th, at 8:30 a.m., Ag Center Conference Room.

V. MEETINGS/EVENTS/TRAININGS FOR STAFF -

Motion by Feist to approve attendance to the following:

December 3 rd	LSRW 1W1P Team Meeting - Nate
December 14 th & 16 th	BWSR Hydrology Webinar Training – All SWCD Staff
December 17 th	Faribault County Safety Comm. Meeting – Shane
December 18 th	GBERBA Technical Meeting., Virutal – Amy, Nate

Seconded by Mensing. Motion carried.

VI. ADJOURNMENT –

Motion by Anderson to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mensing. Motion carried. Chairman Bell adjourned the meeting at 2:01 p.m.