

Goodhue SWCD Regular Board Meeting

Monday – January 25th, 2020

4:00 PM

Goodhue County SWCD Conference Room

104 East 3rd Avenue, Goodhue MN 55027

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8599817067?pwd=U3pGbEZ6MHJocGhBV3A0cXl3SjZ5QT09>

Meeting ID: 859 981 7067 Passcode: 854068 Call in: (312)626-6799

Minutes (Draft)

I. Call to Order and Pledge Allegiance

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chair Jeff Beckman. It was noted that due to 'MN Department of Administration Open Meeting Requirements during a State of Emergency', meeting held utilizing telephone conferencing require all votes be taken by roll call, which will be used at this meeting.

SWCD Supervisors Present	SWCD Supervisors Absent	SWCD Staff Present	Others Present
<i>In Person:</i>	<i>Mark Comstock, Vice Chair</i>	<i>In Person:</i>	<i>In Person:</i>
<i>Don Schliep, Secretary</i>		<i>Beau Kennedy, District Manager</i>	<i>Jeff Matzke, NRCS</i>
<i>Christopher Hinck, Reporter</i>		<i>Delane Krier, Administrative Asst.</i>	
<i>Ed McNamara, Treasurer</i>			
<i>Zoom Conference Call:</i>			
<i>Jeff Beckman, Chair</i>			

II. Oath of Office

Jeff Beckman took the Oath of Office. Ed McNamara took the Oath of Office. Christopher Hinck took Oath of Office.

III. Election of Officers

Motioned by Beckman, seconded by McNamara to elect officers the same positions as 2020 for the 2021 calendar year, with Chris Hinck being appointed to the role of Reporter.

a. Chair: Jeff Beckman **b. Vice Chair:** Mark Comstock **c. Treasurer:** Ed McNamara

d. Secretary: Don Schliep **e. Reporter:** Christopher Hinck

Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

IV. Approval of the Agenda

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the Agenda. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

V. Consent Agenda

1. Approve payment to SE TSA JPB for 319 Feedlot Grant Technical Assistance work on Chris Hokanson cost-share project \$4,224.61 in Goodhue County.
2. Approve payment to Wabasha County SWCD for 319 Feedlot Grant Technical Assistance work on T. Mehrkens project for \$650.37.
3. Approve payment to Houston County SWCD for 319 Feedlot Grant Cost-Share and Technical Assistance on the A. Doering project for \$6,163.66.
4. Approve payment to Winona County SWCD for 319 Feedlot Grant Technical Assistance work on D.Timm project \$1979.17 and M.Kronebusch project \$2606.50.
5. Approve payment Voucher to J.Romo for \$700.00; Cover Crop Multi Species Contract #LCF201-01, upon signature of Payee.

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the Consent Agenda. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

VI. Secretary's Report

1. Approve December 21, 2020 District Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the December 21, 2020 Secretary's Report.

Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

2. Approve January 11, 2021 District Special Board Meeting Minutes

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to approve the January 11, 2021 Secretary's Report with the addition of absentee Board Members.

Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

VII. Public Comment (10 Minute limit)

VIII. Action Items

1. Appointment of SWCD Committees

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the SWCD Committees as documented. (See Attached) Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

2. Action to Set SWCD Board Meeting Time & Dates

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to set the Goodhue SWCD Board meeting time and dates to 4th Monday of the Month @ 7:30 pm (April – November) 4:00 pm (December – March) with the ability to change as needed. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

3. Designate Official County Newspaper

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Hinck to set the Red Wing Republican Eagle as the Goodhue SWCD official County Newspaper. Alternate newspapers will follow the same as Goodhue County. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

4. Action on Payment of 2021 Dues: Envirothon; \$175.00, SE MASWCD; \$500, SE SWCD Tech Support JPB; \$3,000, MASWCD; \$4,697.21, CRWJPB; \$5,000, NACD; \$775.00.

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the 2021 Dues: Envirothon; \$175.00, SE MASWCD; \$500, SE SWCD Tech Support JPB; \$3,000, MASWCD; \$4,697.21, CRWJPB; \$5,000, NACD; \$775.00.

Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

5. Action on Review and Approval of SWCD Charges for Services (2021 Fee Schedule)

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the SWCD Charges for Service (2021 Fee Schedule) as discussed with the change on Traux Drill fee to \$14/ac. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

6. Action on Walk-In Access Contract with the MN DNR. Authorize District Manager to sign agreement once developed

Motioned by Hinck, seconded by Schliep to approve the Walk-In Access Contract with the MN DNR. Authorize District Manager to sign agreement once developed. Affirmative: None. Opposed: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Motion failed.

7. Action on 2019 One Watershed One Plan Grant Amendment

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to approve the 2019 One Watershed One Plan Grant Amendment. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

8. Action on MAWQCP Amendment with Wabasha SWCD extending the grant period

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the MAWQCP Amendment with Wabasha SWCD extending the grant period. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

IX. Reports

1. NRCS Report (see attached)

2. District Manager's Report

- a. Financial Statement Signatures
- b. Bank updated Signatures
- c. Supervisor Handbook/Employee Handbook
- d. Legislative Letter

- e. Covid 19 Policy
Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to extend the Covid 19 Policy to September 30, 2021. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.
- f. FY21 Budget
- g. Plant Sales
- h. Tree Inventory

3. Supervisor's Activity Report

McNamara: Feedlot Calendar

4. Other – National NACD Convention – Virtual February 1st – 10th

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep for Goodhue SWCD to pay registration fee for Board Members who choose to attend the National NACD Convention – Virtual February 1st-10th. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

X. Treasurer's Report / Payables

1. Approve the December 2020 Financial Reports

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by McNamara to approve the December 2020 Financial Reports. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

2. Approve the January 2021 Accounts Payable

Motioned by Schliep, seconded by Hinck to approve the January 2021 Accounts Payable. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried.

XI. Adjournment

Motioned by McNamara, seconded by Schliep to adjourn the meeting. Affirmative: Beckman, Hinck, McNamara, Schliep. Opposed None. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Don Schliep, Secretary

Upcoming Events

February 15th – Holiday (Presidents Day)

February Goodhue SWCD Board Meeting – February 22nd, 2021

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
2021 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>MEMBER(S)</u>
P.R. & I (Public Relations & Info.) (Legislative Contact)	Jeff Beckman Ed McNamara
Water Plan Policy Committee	Beau Kennedy Jeff Beckman
Goodhue County FAC	Beau Kennedy
Equipment/Building Needs	Mark Comstock Ed McNamara Beau Kennedy
Personnel/Finance Committee	Mark Comstock Jeff Beckman
Wetland Conservation Act	Don Schliep Beau Kennedy
RC & D	Don Schliep County Commissioner
Cannon River Watershed Prairie Creek Little Cannon Belle Creek (Main)	Jeff Beckman - Primary Ed McNamara - Alternate Don Schliep - Alternate
Zumbro River Watershed Middle North Trout Brook Bear Valley (Main)	Mark Comstock - Primary Ed McNamara - Alternate Don Schliep - Alternate
Mississippi Spring Creek Bullard Wells Creek Hay Creek (Main)	Chris Hinck - Primary Ed McNamara - Alternate Mark Comstock – Alternate

RIM Screening Committee

**Chris Hinck
Chris Fritz
Resource Agency Reps
Citizens-At-Large**

Feedlot Committee

**Don Schliep
Jeff Beckman
Kelsey Petit**

**SE SWCD Technical
Support JPB**

**Ed McNamara
Chris Hinck (Alternate)
Beau Kennedy**

Loan Committee

**Jeff Beckman
Don Schliep
Delane Krier
Beau Kennedy (Alternate)
County Representatives**

Nutrient Management Committee

**Mark Comstock
Ed McNamara
Coty Hyllengren
Kelsie Petit**

**Cost-Share Prioritization
Committee**

**Beau Kennedy
Coty Hyllengren
Chris Fritz (Alternate)
Ed McNamara
Don Schliep (Alternate)**

NRCS Program Updates: January 25th, 2021

Contract / Application Status

- 25 active CSP contracts
- 7 active EQIP contracts
- 46 CSP Classic 2020-1 applications
- 40 EQIP 2020 applications (32 High Priority; 27 want to move forward)

Upcoming Program Deadlines

EQIP

EQIP 2021-1

- Assessment/Ranking – March 5th, 2021
- Approval – April 9th, 2021
- Obligation – July 2nd, 2021

EQIP 2021-2

- Batching Date – March 5th, 2021

CSP

CSP-Renewal applications that were not funded in the last go around will be allowed to compete for funding in the next CSP-General sign-up.

CSP 2021-Classic

- Application – March 26th, 2021
- Assessment/Ranking – April 2nd, 2021
- Approval – June 4th, 2021
- Obligation – July 23rd, 2021

CSP 2022-Renewal

- Application – March 26th, 2021
- Assessment/Ranking – TBA
- Approval – TBA
- Obligation – TBA