



October 19, 2022
East Otter Tail Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Monthly Board Meeting to be held at 7:30 a.m.
801 Jenny Ave SW, Perham MN 56573

Agenda

1. Call meeting to order by Chairperson Lyle Dittmann
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Approve previous month Board Meeting Minutes
4. Treasurer's Report
 - ✓ Draft Audit
5. Bills Paid and Payable
6. Cost-Share
7. District Manager's Report
8. District Conservationist's Report
9. County Commissioner's Report
10. Other Agency Reports

Old Business

11. Water Plan/Watershed Plan update
 - ◆ Otter Tail 1W1P Overview Presentation - Darren
12. Department of Ag Update
13. TSA Update

New Business

14. 2022 MASWCD Resolutions
15. Equipment
 - ◆ Computer and Auto CAD Licensing
16. Meetings and Trainings
17. Public Comments
18. Adjourn



MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2022, BOARD MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lyle Dittmann at 7:30 a.m.

Members Present:

Chairperson: Lyle Dittmann
Vice Chairperson: Steve Inwards
Secretary: Terry Greenwaldt
Public Relations: Wayne Enger

Others Present:

NRCS District Conservationist: Troy Baumgart
District Manager: Darren Newville
Ass't District Manager: Anne Oldakowski - *Virtually*
Administrative Secretary: Chantal Tougas
Watershed Coordinator: Don Bajumpaa
Irrigation/Nutrient Mgmt Specialist: Nathan Wiese
District Technician: Nicole Wallace

Agenda: Motion made by Steve Inwards, seconded by Wayne Enger to adopt the agenda. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Approve Board Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Wayne Enger, seconded by Steve Inwards to approve the previous month Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion made by Wayne Enger, seconded by Steve Inwards, to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, subject to audit. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Bills Paid & Bills Payable: Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, seconded by Steve Inwards, to approve the Bills Paid and Bills Payable as presented. Opposed: none, motion carried.

RED EYE IWIP IMPLEMENTATION GRANT

C21-3238-06; Jacob Hendrickx; Butler Township, is requesting approval for a partial payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$9,600.00, with the first-year payment of \$3,200.00. Motion made by Steve Inwards, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

C21-3238-11; Doug Lang; Inman Township, is requesting approval for a partial payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$2,820.00, with the first-year payment of \$940.00. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Wayne Enger to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

C21-3238-16; Steven Steinbach; Homestead Township, is requesting approval for a final payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$600.00, with a final payment of \$450.00. Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.



C21-3238-17; Keith Schwichtenberg, Paddock Township, Section 32 is requesting cost share assistance for his Forest Stewardship Plan. The total cost estimate is \$ 712.00, with the cost share amount of \$ 534.00 or 75% whichever is less. Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

C21-3238-18; Larry Knickerehm, Butler Township, Section 8, is requesting cost share assistance for his Ag Waste Pit Closure. The total cost estimate is \$ 8,500.00, with the cost share amount of \$ 6,375.00 or 75% whichever is less. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

IRRIGATION TECH GRANT

C21-9235-04; Silver Dust Farm LLC; Rush Lake Township, Section 18, is requesting a partial payment for their MVI Soil Moisture Sensor Probe & Aquatrac Lite. The total cost of the project was \$ 2,950.00 with cost sharing of \$ 2,212.50 which is 75%. Motion made by Steve Inwards, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

C21-9235-05; Todd & Melissa Larson; Perham Township, Section 28 & 33, is requesting a partial payment for their MVI Soil Moisture Sensor Probe & Aquatrac Lite. The total cost of the project was \$ 2,950.00 with cost sharing of \$ 2,212.50 which is 75%. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

C21-9235-20; Bonnie Hintzman; Butler Township, Section 28, is requesting cost share assistance for an Irrigation Sprinkler System. The total estimated cost of the project is \$ 127,350.00, with cost sharing of \$15,000.00. Additional funding is coming from RCPP EQIP. Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

C21-9235-21; Kenneth Sakry; Woodside Township, Section 17, is requesting cost share assistance for an Irrigation Sprinkler System. The total estimated cost of the project is \$ 70,900.00, with cost sharing of \$7,763.00. Additional funding is coming from RCPP EQIP. Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

C21-9235-22; Daryl Zeise; Compton Township, Section 18, is requesting cost share assistance for an Irrigation Sprinkler System. The total estimated cost of the project is \$ 66,400.00, with cost sharing of \$15,000.00. A portion, \$12,599.50, is being funded from the Irrigation Tech Grant and the remaining \$2,400.50 will be coming from the Red Eye 1W1P Grant. Additional funding is coming from RCPP EQIP. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Wayne Enger to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

STATE COST SHARE

2020-11; Russell Palubicki; Perham/Pine Lake/Girard, is requesting approval for a final payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$10,800.00, previous payments of \$7,200.00, with final flat rate payment of \$3,600.00. Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

2020-13; Kevin Meyer; Leaf Lake, is requesting approval for a final payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$13,500.00, previous payments of \$9,000.00, with final flat rate payment of \$4,500.00. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.



2022-02; Dawn & Kevin Gode; Rush Lake Township, Section 35, are requesting approval for a final payment for their Shoreline Planting, with total cost of \$10,047.89, cost share payment not to exceed \$ 7,535.92 or 75%, whichever is less. Motion made by Steve Inwards, second by Wayne Enger to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

2022-04; Brandstaetter, Karl; Ottetail, Section 3 is requesting approval for a final payment for a well sealing. The total project cost was \$400.00, with a cost share payment of \$200.00 or 50% whichever is less. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

COVER CROP

CC3 Carlson Turkey Farms; Parkers Prairie/Elmo Township, is requesting approval for a final payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$13,500.00, previous payments of \$9,000.00, with final flat rate payment of \$4,500.00. Motion made by Steve Inwards, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

CC6 Larry Huwe; Butler/Corliss Township, is requesting approval for a final payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$10,800.00, previous payments of \$7,200.00, with final flat rate payment of \$3,600.00. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

CC11 Jordan Palubicki; Perham/Pine Lake/Girard Township, is requesting approval for a final payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$10,800.00, previous payments of \$7,200.00, with final flat rate payment of \$3,600.00. Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

CC13 Daniel Dreyer; Ottetail Township, is requesting approval for a final payment for his Cover Crop practice. Total amount authorized was \$13,500.00, previous payments of \$9,000.00, with final flat rate payment of \$4,500.00. Motion made by Terry Greenwaldt, second by Steve Inwards to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

HIGH PRIORITY LAKES GRANT

PL9/LP; Scott & Tali Neumann; Gorman Township, Section 25, are requesting authorization to amend their original cost share contract for a Shoreline Planting due to an increase in the estimated costs of materials involved. Original estimated project cost was \$1,981.16; amended project cost estimate is \$2,097.09 with a new total amount authorized of \$1,572.81. Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

PL9/LP; Scott & Tali Neumann; Gorman Township, Section 25, are requesting approval for a final payment for their Shoreline Planting, with total cost of \$2,097.09, cost share payment not to exceed \$ 1,572.81 or 75%, whichever is less. Motion made by Steve Inwards, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried.

PL11/BP; Wayne & Terry Enger; Pine Lake Township, Section 17, are requesting cost share assistance to expand their native planting. The total cost estimate is \$ 1,942.77, with a cost share amount of \$ 1,457.08 or 75%, whichever is less. Motion made by Steve Inwards, second by Terry Greenwaldt to approve. Opposed: none, motion carried. *(Please note that Wayne Enger abstained from voting)*

District Manager's Report: Written and presented by Darren Newville.



District Conservationist's Report: Written and presented by Troy Baumgart.

County Commissioner's Report: Not present

Other Agency Reports: none

Old Business

Water Plan/Watershed Plan update: Discussed in District Manager's report. There is a policy committee meeting next week.

Department of Ag update: The weather station has been moved from the Sheriff's station in Ottertail 1 mile south due to trees blocking it.

TSA Update: A new technician was hired up north who came from Kittson. There is a meeting on October 6, 2022.

New Business

FY23 Local Capacity/Buffer Grants: Motion made by Steve Inwards, second by Wayne Enger to approve Darren to approve & sign these grants when the paperwork arrives. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Personnel Committee Actions: Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Steve Inwards to approve Anne Oldakowski's increase in wage. Opposed: none, motion carried.

SWCD Supervisor Replacement: Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Steve Inwards to appoint Bruce Albright as Dennis Reynolds replacement to carry out the remainder of his term. Opposed: none, motion carried.

OT Dam Modifications: Motion made by Wayne Enger, second by Steve Inwards to approve putting this project out for bids. Opposed: none, motion carried.

Meetings and Trainings:

- TSA Meeting • October 6, 2022
- BWSR Academy is October 25-27 in Brainerd
- Area I Meeting • November 15, 2022 • Mahnomen
- MASWCD Convention • December 12-14, 2022 • Bloomington

Public Comments: none

Adjourn: Motion made to adjourn by Steve Inwards, seconded by Wayne Enger. Opposed: none, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.