



January 17, 2024, Land Services Building, Brainerd, MN 56401.

1. Meeting called to Order by Board Chair Jim Chamberlin at 9:00 am in CWC Oak Room

- Members Present: Jim Chamberlin-Chair
Leonard Koering-Treasurer
JoAnn Weaver-Secretary
Diane Jacobson-Reporter
- Members Absent: Roger Waytashek-Vice Chair
- Others present: Melissa Barrick-District Manager
Tasha Lauer-Office Manager
Jarrett Drileck-SWCD Shoreline Technician
Bethany Chaplin-SWCD Water Quality Technician
Jenny Sherron-SWCD Technician
Candi Fuller-NRCS
Pam Loftis-NRCS
Jon Lubke-Crow Wing County Commissioner

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

3. Reorganization of the Board

- a. Chair
- b. Vice Chair
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer
- e. Reporter

There was a motion by Diane Jacobson, seconded by Leonard Koering, to keep all board members as is.

Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

4. Consent Agenda Approval

There was a motion by JoAnn Weaver, seconded by Diane Jacobson, to approve the 01/17/2024 agenda, secretary's report of 12/20/2023, to accept the December 2023 Treasurer's report, District bills and voucher payments, and Conflict of Interest policy.

Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

5. Old Business:

- a. NRCS Work Report
- b. BWSR Report
- c. County Commissioner Report
- d. Work reports
- e. 2024 Board Committee Appointments

There was a motion by Leonard Koering, seconded by Diane Jacobson, to approve 2024 Board Committee appointments as presented.

Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

- f. 2024 SWCD Goals
- g. Supervisor Job Description



There was a motion by Leonard Koering, seconded by Diane Jacobson, to approve the supervisor job description with a change of 12 hours of meetings per month.

Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC

Opposed: None

Motion Carried.

h. Grants.

Name	Recommendation	Practice Type	Funding Type	Amount
i. Forage Council Sponsorship \$300 Winter Workshop 2024 February 02, 2024, at Tri-County Stockyards. https://sfa-mn.org/forage-council/	Authorize and approve the SWCD Supervisor and staff to attend.			\$300 for sponsorship plus registration cost of \$75 per person.
ii. Cost-Share Contracts: 19 for 2024. Three Options: a. Go through all 19 contracts at the Feb. board meeting. b. Set up a committee to review the 19 contracts and bring back recommendations to the Feb. Board Meeting. c. Set up a Special Meeting between Jan. and Feb. board meeting to review and approve the contracts	Authorize and approve the process to review the 19 Cost-Share Contracts.			
iii. 01-PRWPP2FY24.Practice type 580. Located on Upper Hay Lake, the total cost is \$17,334 and \$13,000—75 percent of the total cost-share. Rock rip rap is needed for 300 feet. We have tried bioengineering a couple of times, and it has failed.	Motion to Approve.			\$13,000.50—75 percent of the total cost-share
iv. Grant Application-approvals 1. \$50,000 for 5-year 1W1P Pine River Update 2. Soil Health Staff RFP-add .65 EFT for Soil Health and Agroforestry \$408,600	Motion to approve.			



3. Cooperative Weed Management Cost-share funds \$20,000				
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There was a motion by Leonard Koering, seconded by JoAnn Weaver, to approve Item i as stated with a sponsorship donation of \$300.
Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

There was a motion by JoAnn Weaver, seconded by Diane Jacobson, to approve Item ii with a special meeting tentatively on February 7, 2024, at 9 am.
Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

There was a motion by JoAnn Weaver, seconded by Leonard Koering, to approve Item iii at 75% of 17,334, which is up to \$13,000.50.
Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

There was a motion by Leonard Koering, seconded by Diane Jacobson, to approve Item iv.
Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

6. <u>New Business</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
i. 2024 Landowner Event	Potential Speakers: Paul Douglas, Chris Pence, CWC, discuss county comp plan update, or Kent Solberg, SFA soil health.	Potential Dates.
ii. Bylaws	Review and suggest any changes or corrections.	Review and discuss.
iii. 2022 Audit Report	Review and discuss the audit report.	Follow the account recommendations.
iv. Personnel	Advertise and post the Water Quality Technician Position.	Authorize staff to develop the job description and post the position and pay for advertising the posting up to \$500.

There was a motion by JoAnn Weaver, seconded by Leonard Koering, to approve New Business Item iv.
Affirmative: LK, DJ, JW, JC Opposed: None Motion Carried.

7. Reports

- a. 1W1P-Pine River, Crow Wing, Rum River, Mississippi River-Brainerd
- b. Tree Sale Open House: Discussed options for next year.
- c. Region 5 Development Commission
- d. Mille Lacs Lake Watershed Management Group
- e. Crow Wing River Basin Forage Council
- f. North Central MN TSA 8: Manager/Chair Meeting Scheduled for Feb 1.

8. Calendar

Date	Meeting	Location
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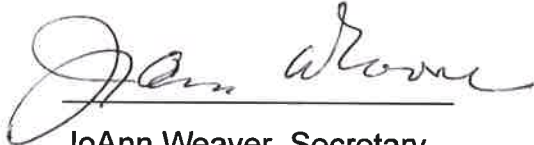
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01/24/2024	Crow Wing River Watershed Policy Committee Meeting 9:30 am	Sourcewell, Staples, MN
02/02/2024	Forage Council Winter Meeting	Tri-County Stockyards
02/07/2024	Crow Wing SWCD Special Meeting Discuss Cost-Share Contracts	Maple-Pine Crow Wing County Meeting
02/13/2024	BWSR Supervisor Training 9 am to 12:00 PM	MN DNR Building
02/19/2024	Office Closed for President's Day	
02/21/2024	Regular Crow Wing SWCD Board Meeting at 9:00 am	Oak Room

9. Adjournment:

There was a motion by JoAnn Weaver, Seconded by Leonard Koering, to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Affirmative: LK, DJ, JC, JW Opposed: None Motion Carried.



JoAnn Weaver, Secretary