

P.O. Box 545 ♦ 1000 10th AVE, Suite 3 ♦ Clarkfield, Minnesota 56223

MINUTES OF THE YELLOW MEDICINE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

JUNE 25, 2026

- I. The regular Board meeting was called to order by Supervisor Jerry Nelson at 9:01 AM. Meeting started with the pledge of allegiance and reading of the mission statement.
Those present:
Jerry Nelson – Chair
Darwyn Bach – Vice-Chair
DeLon Clarksean – Secretary
Tom Remmele – Treasurer
Brayden Anderson – Director
Emily Albin – Office Administrator
Michael Pitzl – District Technician
Ryan Reishus – Conservation Technician
Mitch Kling – County Commissioner
- II. After addition of Local Soil Health Delivery payment requests #4-8 and VII. New Business b. Resolution 2026-6-6 Charges for Services Update. Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by DeLon Clarksean, to approve agenda as updated. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- III. Motion by DeLon Clarksean, seconded by Tom Remmele, to approve minutes of the last meeting, dated May 28, 2026 as corrected. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- IV. Payments & Treasurer's Report- Motion by DeLon Clarksean, seconded by Darwyn Bach, to approve treasurer's report for month of June 2026. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- V. APPROVALS, PAYMENTS & AMENDMENTS:
 - a. Approval
 - i. RCPP – June applications – Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by DeLon Clarksean, to approve RCPP June applications as listed. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.

**RCPP JUNE
APPLICATIONS**

Contract #	Ranking Score	Cost	Total Spent if Approved	Acres	Practice	Notes
	Contract Reduction	\$ (1,040)	\$ (1,040)			
	Contract Reduction	\$ (360)	\$ (1,400)			
87-9-1	40	\$ 25,000	\$ 23,600	120	S-CC/NoTill	3 Year
87-9-2	35	\$ 9,252	\$ 32,852	51.4	M-CC	3 Year
87-9-3	31	\$ 21,000	\$ 53,852	100	S-CC/NoTill	3 Year
87-9-4	26	\$ 21,000	\$ 74,852	100	S-CC/NoTill	3 Year
87-9-5	26	\$ 21,000	\$ 95,852	100	S-CC/NoTill	3 Year
87-9-6	25	\$ 2,421	\$ 98,273	80.7	NoTill	1 Year
			\$ 98,273			
Remaining Grant 9:			\$ 16,727			

ii. Yellow Med WD – FYI – no action

1. 2024-043 – Zachary Geistfeld – 340 Cover Crops – 38.6 acres - \$6948
2. 2026-003 – Joel Timm – 340 Cover Crops/329 No Till/Strip Till – 202 acres - \$54,540
3. 2026-004 – Charles Timm - 340 Cover Crops/329 No Till/Strip Till – 163 acres - \$44,010
4. 2026-005 – Bryce Hansen – 340 Cover Crops MS – 371.3 acres - \$60,000
5. 2026-006 – Brien Hansen – 340 Cover Crops MS – 335.2 acres - \$60,000

iii. LqP-YB WD – FYI – no action

1. C25-202607- Lee Verhelst – 340 Cover Crop – 57.3-112.4 acres - \$13,750

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2. C25-202608 – Ryan Westphal – 512 Pasture/Hay – 46 acres - \$20,700
3. C25-202609 – Prairie Lane Farms – 329 No Till/Strip Till – 400 acres - \$36,000

b. Payments

- i. RCPP – June payouts – Motion by DeLon Clarksean to approve payments as listed, seconded by Tom Remmele. Affirmative:3, Darwyn Bach abstained. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.

RCPP Spring - June 2026 - Payout

Contract #	Practice	Contract Total Years	Acres	Contract Total	June Payment Amount	Check #
87-7-10	NT/ST	3	163.5	\$ 15,813.00	\$ 4,905.00	13769
87-4-6	P/H	5	10.1	\$ 8,080.00	\$ 8,080.00	13770
87-4-1	P/H	5	13.5	\$ 10,800.00	\$ 10,800.00	13775
87-1-26	SS, NT/ST	1	118.7	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 8,333.00	13776
87-1-1	P/H	5	8	\$ 6,400.00	\$ 6,400.00	13777
87-3-4	NT/ST	3	301	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 8,333.00	13778
87-4-5	NT/ST	1	219	\$ 6,570.00	\$ 6,570.00	13779
87-6-6	NT/ST	2	60.3	\$ 3,393.00	\$ 1,809.00	13784
87-7-3	NT/ST	1	174	\$ 5,220.00	\$ 5,220.00	13785
87-6-1	P/H	5	32	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	13786
87-1-17	NT/ST	1	7	\$ 210.00	\$ 210.00	13787
87-8-5	NT/ST	1	87.7	\$ 2,631.00	\$ 2,631.00	13788
87-8-8	NT/ST	3	94.1	\$ 8,607.00	\$ 2,823.00	13789
87-7-8	P/H	5	20	\$ 16,000.00	\$ 16,000.00	13806
1308.9					\$ 107,114.00	

- ii. Local Soil Health Delivery – Motion by DeLon Clarksean to approve payments #1-8 as listed, seconded by Tom Remmele. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried

1. SH2026-01 – Richard Pesek – 512 Pasture/Hay – 36 acres - \$25,000
2. SH2025-01 – Joel Timm – 340 MS & 329 No Till/Strip Till – 143.73 acres - \$25,000
3. SH2025-02 – Charles Timm – 340 MS & 329 No Till/Strip Till – 90 acres - \$25,000
4. SH2026-02 – Kelly Timm - 340 Pasture/Hay – 21.7 acres - \$17,360
5. SH2025-07 – Mark Denelsbeck – 329 No Till/Strip Till – 37 acres - \$1,110
6. SH2025-08 – Randall Denelsbeck – 320 No Till/ Strip Till – 50 acres - \$1490
7. SH2025-06 – Andrew Albin - 340 MS & 329 No Till/Strip Till - 93 acres - \$8000
8. SH2026-03 – Allan Winter – 329 No Till/Strip Till – 94.1 acres - \$7562

VI. REPORTS.

a. Staff Reports:

- a. DIRECTOR BRAYDEN ANDERSON – Updates WCA permit applications, Redwood SWCD/Meadowland’s agronomist agreement update, attended TSA manager meeting, conducted mid-year staff reviews, UofM received soil sampling grant, on June 2 gave YM County Board update, RCPP distribution map, Area V meeting & CSP/EQIP update, WRAPS update, soil health mentor insurance requirement.
- b. OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR EMILY ALBIN – helped with RCPP paperwork when possible, organized cost share folders, organizing WCA physical files, attended MACDE Admin Conference June 17-18, and update on CDs.
- c. CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN RYAN REISHUS – Updates on Tree Program, structural projects, RIM program updates, completed SWAG sampling for June.
 - i. AGBMP – quarterly funding update and overview of application requests.

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- d. DISTRICT TECHNICIAN MICHAEL PITZL – Soil health spring inspections completed, RCPP paperwork, update on Russ Hedrick field day planning progress
- b. SUPERVISOR REPORTS:
 - a. SUPERVISOR BACH– Attended YM County Board meeting & Bauer Farm urea melting field day
 - b. SUPERVISOR CLARKSEAN– *none*
 - c. SUPERVISOR NELSON– *none*
 - d. SUPERVISOR NISKA – *not in attendance*
 - e. SUPERVISOR REMMELE – *none*.
- c. PARTNER REPORTS:
 - a. County/Mitch Kling – County Ditch 9 hearing is July 9, 2026 @ 9am. County has started working on 2027 budget.

VII. Old Business

- a. Tabled from May 2026 meeting – 2025 Financial Audit - decision
 - i. Motion to take of the table by DeLon Clarksean, seconded by Darwyn Bach. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
 - ii. Motion to approve and accept 2025 Financial Audit as presented by Darwyn Bach, seconded by Tom Remmele. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.

VIII. New Business

- a. Employee health Insurance – Discussion – *no action*
- b. Resolution 2026-6-6 Charges for Services Update- decision. Motion by DeLon Clarksean, to approve Resolution 2026-6-6 Changes for Services, seconded by Darwyn Bach. Roll call vote:
Tom Remmele – Yea, Darwyn Bach – Yea, DeLon Clarksean – Yea, Jerry Nelson – Yea. Motion Carried.

IX. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Thursday, July 23, 2026, 9am

X. Meeting adjourned by call of chair at 11:04AM

APPROVED: _____



DATE: _____

7-23-26