



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

MINUTES OF THE YELLOW MEDICINE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT March 27, 2025

- I. The regular Board meeting was called to order by Chair Tom Remmele at 9 AM.
Those present:
Tom Remmele – Chair
Jerry Nelson – Vice-Chair
Darwyn Bach – Secretary
Delon Clarksean – Treasurer
Brayden Anderson – Director
Anita Borg – Office Administrator
Ryan Reishus – Conservation Technician
Michael Pitzl – Conservation Technician
Mitch Kling – CO Commissioner
- II. Meeting started with the pledge of allegiance and reading of the mission statement.
- III. Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by Delon Clarksean to approve agenda. Affirmative:4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- IV. Motion by Delon Clarksean, seconded by Darwyn Bach, to approve minutes of the last meeting dated February 27, 2025. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- V. Motion by Delon Clarksean, seconded by Darwyn Bach, to approve treasurers report for month of March, 2025. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- VI. REPORTS:
 - a. STAFF REPORTS:
 - i. DIRECTOR BRAYDEN ANDERSON provided updates on WCA and planning for the upcoming Soil Health Field Day being coordinated with Lac Qui Parle SWCD.
 - ii. OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR ANITA BORG informed the Board SWCD Annual Report was complete and documentation and supporting information necessary for Annual Financial report had been submitted to the auditor/accountant.
 - iii. CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN MICHAEL PITZL provided updates on the Environmental Fair, WIA and AIS.
 - iv. CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN RYAN REISHUS discussed the tree program and reviewed some recently attended trainings.
 - b. SUPERVISOR REPORTS:
 - i. SUPERVISOR DELON CLARKSEAN reviewed the Soil Health meeting led by Dorian Gatchell.
 - c. PARTNER REPORTS: There were no partner reports.
- VII. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. The District continues to seek candidates for the Soil Health Staffing Grant mentor position.
 - b. **BWSR HABITAT FRIENDLY UTILITIES MASTER JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT.** Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by Delon Clarksean to approve ratification of the BWSR Habitat Friendly Utilities Master Joint Powers Agreement. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
 - c. **SOIL HEALTH PRACTICES GRANT SCORING.** Motion by Delon Clarksean, seconded by Darwyn Bach to adopt the Soil Health Practices Grant (RCPP) scoring and ranking as edited. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.



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VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **RESOLUTION 2025-02-3.2 LOCAL COST SHARE POLICY.** Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by Jerry Nelson, to approve Resolution 2025-02-3.2 Local Cost Share Policy. Vote taken by roll call: affirmative: Darwyn Bach, Delon Clarksean, Tom Remmele, Jerry Nelson; opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- b. **RESOLUTION 2025-03-6 CHARGES FOR SERVICES POLICY.** Motion by Darwyn Bach, second by Delon Clarksean to approve Resolution 2025-03-6 Charges for Services Policy. Vote taken by roll call: affirmative: Darwyn Bach, Delon Clarksean, Tom Remmele, Jerry Nelson; opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- c. Motion by Delon Clarksean, seconded by Jerry Nelson to approve \$2,000 contribution to the 2025 Environmental Fair. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- d. Office Administrator Borg presented unaudited 2024 financials and staff hours focus data to the Board.
- e. Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by Jerry Nelson to endorse letter of support for the County Ditch 9 project. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- f. Motion by Jerry Nelson, seconded by Delon Clarksean to approve utilization of AIS funds to contribute \$9,000 toward the purchase of dock and \$2,700 to the purchase of garbage containers for Del Clark Lake that will contain AIS outreach information. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.

IX. Approvals, payments, and amendments

- a. Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by Jerry Nelson to approve amendment to contract ##2024-05 increasing approved payment amount to \$5,744.25. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- b. Motion by Delon Clarksean, seconded by Jerry Nelson to approve contract #2025-01 Cover Crops/No-till for Joel Timm utilizing Soil Health Delivery funds. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.
- c. Motion by Darwyn Bach, seconded by Jerry Nelson to approve contract #2025-02 Cover Crops/No-till for Charles Timm utilizing Soil Health Delivery funds. Affirmative: 4. Opposed: 0. Motion carried.


X. Next meeting of the Board is scheduled for April 24, 2025 at 9AM.

XI. Meeting adjourned by call of chair at 11:02 AM.

APPROVED:



DATE:



Yellow Medicine County SWCD Monthly Treasurers Report

2025	February 28			March 27
Use of Cash	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Ending Balance
District Checking	\$ 278,837.79	\$ 14,034.47	\$ 28,120.39	\$ 264,751.87
Savings Accounts	\$ 311,666.53	\$ 167.36		\$ 311,833.89
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 451,072.60	\$ -		\$ 451,072.60
TOTALS	\$ 1,041,576.92	\$ 14,201.83	\$ 28,120.39	\$ 1,027,658.36

RECEIPTS:

deposited to:	Received from:	For:	Amount:
Checking		tree deposits	\$ 100.00
Checking		tree deposits	\$ 396.92
Checking		tree deposits	\$ 1,687.70
Savings		interest	\$ 167.36
Checking	F&M Bank	interest	\$ 31.36
Checking		tree deposits	\$ 4,844.57
Checking	Pheasants Forever	grant Conservation COOP for Working Lands	\$ 3,821.94
Checking		tree deposits	\$ 3,151.98

DISBURSEMENTS/ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

CK#	Payable to:	For:	Amount:
13443	Xcel Energy	electricity for shed	\$ 10.22
13444	Office of the State Auditor	audit fee	\$ 248.00
DD, EFTPS		payroll & liabilities	\$ 11,204.63
13445	Citizens Alliance Bank VISA	dues, fees, subscriptions PF membership	\$ 250.00
13446	AT&T	hotspot & cell	\$ 138.09
13447	Yellow Medicine County	health, dental, life	\$ 3,000.13
DD, EFTPS, CK#13448		payroll & liabilities 3/21/2025	\$ 12,223.20
13449	LQP-YB Watershed	technical reimbursment adjustment	\$ 75.60
13450	Yellow Medicine County	Office 365	\$ 71.66
13451	Runnings	field supplies	\$ 43.85
13452	Amazon Capital Services	office supplies	\$ 35.77
13453	Consumers Coop	fuel & maintenance	\$ 261.86
13454	Canby News	education & outreach ads for soil health lunch	\$ 270.00
13455	Brayden Anderson	employee expense	\$ 132.61
13456	Michael Pitzl	employee expense	\$ 45.00
13457	Ryan Reishus	employee expense	\$ 62.38
13458	Anita Borg	employee expense	\$ 47.39



 Treasurer

3-27-25
 Date

