

**Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District  
Board Meeting  
September 18, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held September 18, 2024, beginning at 7:30 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Nathan Their. Present were Lynn Darling, Jess DeKam, Nathan Their, Rick Nelson, and Paul Langseth. Also, present were Tiffini Etsinger, Finance & Administrative Coordinator; Scott Runck, District Manager; Nathan Schuck, Resource Specialist; Gene Metz, Nobles Commissioner; and Aaron Crowley, NRCS.

**AGENDA:** The Agenda for the September 18, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Langseth moved to approve the agenda as presented. Nelson seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**MINUTES:** The minutes for the August 21, 2024, meeting were reviewed. Darling moved to approve the minutes as presented. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**Audit 2023:** Katie Jacobson presented the 2023 audit to the board, reviewed the net position, and the changes from last year to this year.

Langseth moved to accept the audit as presented. Nelson seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelson, Langseth, DeKam and Their. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** The Treasurer’s Report and Bills Payable was presented and reviewed for August 2024. Langseth moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$81611.44 respectively. Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**COST-SHARE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS:**

**MRWP FY22 Payments:**

<b>FY22-MRWP-93</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>\$47,700.0</b>
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Langseth moved to approve the above payments. Nelson seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**NEW CONTRACTS**

**FY22-MRWP Extra Funds: Non-Structural:**

<b>FY22-MRWP-102</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$9,000.00</b>
<b>FY22-MRWP-101</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$11,520.00</b>

Nelson moved to approve the above cover crop contracts. DeKam Seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried

**FY24-MRWP Non-Structural Contracts:**

<b>FY24-MRWP-46</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>Strip Till/No-Till</b>	<b>\$9,000.00</b>
<b>FY24-MRWP-43</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>Strip Till/No-Till</b>	<b>\$11,520.00</b>

Darling moved to approve the above contracts for MRWP. Nelson seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**FY24-MRWP Structural Contracts:**

<b>FY24-MRWP-44</b>	<b>Binford Farms</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>WWY 412</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>\$29,038.50</b>
<b>FY24-MRWP-45</b>	<b>Binford Farms</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>CCwith wwy</b>		<b>\$10,000.00</b>

Darling moved to approve the above contracts for MRWP. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**FY23 Soil Health:**

<b>SH-03</b>	<b>Scott Brunk</b>	<b>No Till/Strip Till</b>	<b>\$6,670.00</b>
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Langseth moved to approve the above contracts for Soil Health. Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**FY25 Soil Health:**

<b>FY25-SH-01</b>	<b>Scott Brunk</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$13,330.00</b>
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Langseth moved to approve the above contracts for Soil Health. Nelson seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**District Manager Report** – Runck updated the board on Soil Health and the Pheasants Forever Position. **Resource Specialist Report**- Schuck reported Learning Area Tours, Environmental Fair and he passed his drone test. **District Conservationist Report** – Crowley reported on current CSP plans. All EQIP and CSP contracts are obligated. Working on the 1026 workload and starting to contact CSP contracts to certify practices.

**Watershed Districts and Other Reports** –

**O&O:** Langseth updated the Board about a DNR Public Meeting in September. Maintenance done on Bella it had flood issues from the rain event. The Crailsheim project has approval from the engineer to begin.  
**County:** Metz updated the board that they are working on the budget. Talked about a behavior health center coming to Worthington. It would be a 9 bed unit.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**Olson Arena:** Staff discussed keeping equipment in there and renewing our contract with starting in 2026. The Board would like to continue renting the arena for now. Scott to talk with fair board to get extra space.

**Tree Building:** AC needs to have a check up as it has never been looked at. Nelson will talk with local companies to have them check the unit and service it. Langseth moved to have the AC unit looked at and serviced. Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried

**BWSR Academy:** Staff and Board discussed the 2024 academy and who will attend. The board would like to see the staff attend but will leave it up to the staff discretion as to who will attend. Paul moved to have the staff attend BWSR 2024. Nelson Seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried

**Calendar of Events:**

**SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2024, at 7:30am

**ADJOURN:** September 18, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.

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Secretary