

**Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District
Board Meeting
August 21, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held August 21, 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 August 21, 2024, meeting was reviewed. Darling 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 July 17, 2024, meeting were reviewed. Nelson moved to approve the minutes as presented. Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer’s Report and Bills Payable was presented and reviewed for July 2024. Langseth moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$71,542.55 respectively. Nelson seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

COST-SHARE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS:

MRWP FY24 Payments:

FY24-MRWP-09	Cover Crop	Pipestone	\$28,800.00
FY24-MRWP-02	WWY	Pipestone	\$13,810.85

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

MRWP FY22 Payments:

FY22-MRWP-76	Cover Crop	Pipestone	\$10,000.00
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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.

Nobles SWCD Payments:

SWCD-01	Wintz	Shelter Belt	\$1,000.00
SWCD-02	Korth	Shelter Belt	\$1,000.00
SWCD-03	Lynn	Shelter Belt	\$1,000.00

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

NEW CONTRACTS

FY22-MRWP Extra Funds: Non-Structural:

FY22-MRWP-98	Pipestone	Cover Crop	\$48,840.00
FY22-MRWP-99	Pipestone	Cover Crop	\$7,200.00

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

FY24-MRWP Non-Structural Contracts:

FY24-MRWP-38	Pipestone	Strip Till/No-Till	\$42,840.00
FY24-MRWP-37	Pipestone	Strip Till/No-Till	\$7,200.00

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

FY24-MRWP Structural Contracts:

FY24-MRWP-39	Doug Brands	Pipestone	WSCB 638	90%	\$20,940.48
Fy24-MRWP-40	Barry Rieck	Pipestone	WSCB 638	90%	\$21,420.00
FY24-MRWP-41	Mark Gath	Rock	WWY 412	90%	\$4,989.60

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

FY22-MRWP Structural Contracts:

FY22-MRWP-100	8/21/2024	Jessa Wolter	Nobles	WWY	90%	\$17,024.54
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Nelson moved to approve the above contracts for MRWP. Darling seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: MASWCD Convention

District Manager Report – Runck updated the board on the current FEMA situation. Also reviewed Soil Health round 2 and the Pheasants Forever position

Resource Specialist Report- Schuck reported on WCA updates, the JJA for soil health and Emerald Ash Boar.

District Conservationist Report – Crowley reported on current CSP plans. The intern is done as well. Looking at an admin position to share with Nobles and Luverne.

Watershed Districts and Other Reports –

O&O: Langseth updated the Board about a DNR Public Meeting in September.

KLR: Their reported that KLR had their public hearing. Also, Landowners came in to discuss damage done after the rain event.

Des Moines: none

County: Metz updated the board that they are working on the budget. Labor costs have increased. They are also looking for funds for some of the roads that are 100% funded by the county.

Old Business:

New Business:

Learning area tour: the board was updated with the dates of the tour and costs. The board agreed to pay for the food for the event.

Langseth moved to pay for the meals for the volunteers for LAT. Nelson seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Their, Nelson, and DeKam. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

MASWCD Annual Convention. Etsinger went over the tentative dates for the convention. The board discussed per diem for this event. 3 per diem, mileage, and food expenses for the board members. Langseth moved to pay 3 per diem, mileage, and food expenses for the board members. Dekam 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 September 18, 2024, at 7:30am

ADJOURN: August 21, 2024, at 8:33 a.m.

Secretary