

**Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District
Board Meeting
December 17, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held December 17, 2025, beginning at 7:30 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Lynn Darling. Present were Lynn Darling, Nathan Their, Rick Nelsen, Jess DeKam and Paul Langseth. Also, present was Tiffini Etsinger, Administrative & Finance Coordinator; Scott Runck, District Manager; Gene Metz, County Commissioner; and Josh Schmidt, Pheasants Forever.

AGENDA: The Agenda for the December 17, 2025, meeting was reviewed. Langseth moved to approve the agenda. Dekam seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, DeKam, and Langseth. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: The minutes for the November 19, 2025, meeting were reviewed. Their moved to approve the minutes as presented. Nelsen seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam, and Langseth. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer’s Report and Bills Payable was presented and reviewed for November 2025. Their moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$290,940.75. Nelsen seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, DeKam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

COST-SHARE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS:

FY24 Fund Source Change

FY24-MRWP-261 – Change fund source from FY24 MRWP to FY22MRWP

Langseth moved to changed fund sources from FY24 to FY22. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, DeKam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

FY24 MRWP Structural Cost Share

Payments

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| FY24-MRWP-219 | Reisdorfer Family LLP | WWY | Nobles | P | \$28,719.00 |
| FY24-MRWP-247 | Blake Crawford | WWY | Rock | W | \$11,473.88 |
| FY24-MRWP-247A | Blake Crawford | CC | Rock | W | \$9,120.00 |
| FY24-MRWP-211 | Willers Farm | WWY | Rock | W | \$13,522.48 |
| FY24-MRWP-236 | Willers Farm | wscb | Rock | W | \$7,227.00 |
| FY24-MRWP-210 | Willers Farm | WSCB | Rock | W | \$49,376.48 |
| FY24-MRWP-47 | Jacobs | WWY | Nobles | P | \$10,732.50 |
| FY24-MRWP-283 | Drost | WSCB | Rock | W | \$24,855.38 |
| FY24-MRWP-135 | Leuthold | WWY | Rock | W | \$17,578.43 |

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| FY24-MRWP-03 | Gath | WWY & WSCB | Rock | W | \$118,584.22 |
| FY24-MRWP-08 | Dekam | st/nt | Pipestone | W | \$50,000.00 |
| Fy24-MRWP-228 | Gilman | WSCB | Pipestone | W | \$4,909.45 |

Nelsen moved to approve structural contracts above for payment. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

FY24-MRWP nonstructural payments

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| FY24-MRWP-247A | Blake Crawford | CC | Rock | W | \$9,120.00 |
| FY24-MRWP-08 | Dekam | st/nt | Pipestone | W | \$50,000.00 |

Langseth moved to approve contracts above for payment. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

FY25 Soil Health

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| FY25-SH-08 | Merle Elsing | CC | \$6,000.00 |
| FY25-SH-10 | Tim Bents | CC | \$13,333.00 |

Their moved to approve contracts above for payment. Dekam seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT: Runck updated the board about current projects.

ADMIN & FINANCE REPORT- Etsinger updated the board about current projects.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN REPORT: none

FARMBILL BIOLOGIST REPORT: Schmidt updated the board about current projects.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST REPORT: Crowley reported he is finishing up getting EQIP and CSP payments out to individuals that want payment in 2025. Preparing for the upcoming EQIP program 2026 year. Also a new Pilot program for regenerative ag practices will take place for 2026. This will be administered under the EQIP and CSP programs

WATERSHED DISTRICTS AND OTHER REPORTS:

O&O Langseth reported that they approved the budget for 2026 and the annual plan. They approved the Audit Engagement for 2025. They will also be changing the board meetings to the first Wednesday of the month.

County: Metz reported that they are wrapping up tiling projects. Also locating tiling for the potential data center.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

2026 Audit Engagement: the board discussed having Katie Jacobson do the audit for 2025 books.

Langseth moved to have Katie Jacobson to do our audit for the 2025 fiscal year. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Dues: Pheasants Forever \$300

Langseth moved to approve the dues for Pheasants forever & annual donation of trees. Dekam seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Dues: NACD \$501

Langseth moved to approve the dues for NACD. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Their moved to approve contracts above for payment. Dekam seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

2026 Budget

The 2026 budget was presented to the board. The board discussed the budget and agreed to the purchase of 4 new laptops for the staff and getting phones for each staff member.

Langseth moved to approve the 2026 Budget as presented with the laptop and phone purchases included. Dekam seconded the motion Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for January 21, 2026, at 7:30 a.m.

ADJOURN 8:39 a.m.

Secretary