

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

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held September 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 were Tiffini Etsinger, Administrative & Finance Coordinator; Scott Runck, District Manager; Nathan Schuck, Resource Specialist; Aaron Crowley, NRCS; and Josh Schmidt, Pheasants Forever.

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

MINUTES: The minutes for the August 20, 2025, meeting were reviewed. Langseth moved to approve the minutes as presented. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam and Langseth. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

2024 Audit: Katie presented the Audit findings and financial details to the board for the year end of 2024. Nelsen moved to approve the Audit as presented. Langseth seconded the motion.

TREASURER’S REPORT: The Treasurer’s Report and Bills Payable was presented and reviewed for September 2025. Langseth moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$53,247.08. Nelsen seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**COST-SHARE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS:**

**FY24 MRWP Cost Share**

**Contracts**

<b>FY24-MRWP-283</b>	<b>G Drost</b>	<b>WSCB</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>\$27,874.35</b>
<b>FY24-MRWP-284</b>	<b>G. Erlandson</b>	<b>WWY</b>	<b>Nobles</b>	<b>\$23,364.00</b>

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

**FY24-MRWP-233 amendment to add a practice and increase the cost share.**

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

**Cancellation:**

**FY24-MRWP-235 & FY24-MRWP-237**

The landowner decided to try to get this project funded elsewhere do to the size and cost of the project, we could only do a non farmable basins, versus farmable.

Langseth moved to cancel the above projects. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**2025 Soil Health**

<b>FY25-SH-02</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$13,333.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-03</b>	<b>ST/NT</b>	<b>\$6,667.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-04</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$13,333.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-05</b>	<b>ST/NT</b>	<b>\$6,667.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-06</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$4,140.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-07</b>	<b>ST/NT</b>	<b>\$4,680.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-08</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$6,000.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-09</b>	<b>ST/NT</b>	<b>\$14,000.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-10</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$13,333.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-11</b>	<b>ST/NT</b>	<b>\$6,667.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-12</b>	<b>Cover Crop</b>	<b>\$6,840.00</b>
<b>FY25-SH-13</b>	<b>ST/NT</b>	<b>\$3,420.00</b>

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

**AG Water Certification - Madison**

Langseth moved to approve certification.Their 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 and upcoming projects. Soil health updates as well. Also discussed the Adrian wellhead.

ADMIN & FINANCE REPORT- Etsinger updated the board on PFMLA, Possible tree grants, KLR 2026 Budget, and updating MRWP reports for the public.

DISTRICT TECHNICIAN REPORT: Schuck reported that he is working on soil health contracts. Completed the Learning area tours and will be doing the Environmental Fair in September.

### **Bus Funding:**

Etsinger discussed with the board about possible funding for the students for bussing to and from the environmental fair. The schools have been asking if there was anything available. The board discussed \$5 per student for bussing.

Langseth moved to approve \$5 per student for the environmental fair. Nelsen seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

FARMBILL BIOLOGIST REPORT: Schmidt reported on current projects and easements and the site checks.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST: Aaron updated the board on current projects and funding.

### **WATERSHED DISTRICTS AND OTHER REPORTS:**

O&O Langseth reported that the Pond is still on hold, could possibly be not done at all. Ocheda draw down started on Wednesday, will make a decision next spring if they will continue through summer. They adopted the budget and closed the meeting for job applicants.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Olson Arena:** Rent for 2026 will be \$1200, and for the Plaza for the drill it will be \$450.00

They moved to keep renting out the Olsen arena & the Plaza for storage. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**Conservation Agronomist Grant.** Runck told the board they were able to extend the grant through 2028 for this position.

**2025 BWSR Academy:** Updated the board about the upcoming training for the staff.

Langseth moved to approve the costs for attending the BWSR Academy for all of the staff. They seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, Dekam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**2025 Annual Conference:** Discussed the dates of the Conference and who would be attending. Langseth moved to approve the Runck & Etsinger and all 5 board members. The board will receive 2 per diems and full mileage. Their 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 October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 7:30 a.m.

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Secretary