

**Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District  
Board Meeting  
November 19, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held November 19, 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; Nathan Schuck, Resource Specialist; Gene Metz, County Commissioner; and Josh Schmidt, Pheasants Forever.

AGENDA: The Agenda for the November 19, 2025, meeting was reviewed. Their 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 October 15, 2025, meeting were reviewed. Their moved to approve the minutes as presented. Langseth 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. Nelsen moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$53,809.27. Their 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.

**FY22 MRWP Cost Share**

**Payments**

<b>FY24-MRWP-234</b>	<b>Busman Farms</b>	<b>Nobles</b>	<b>\$6,687.00</b>
<b>FY24-MRWP-165</b>	<b>Merle Jasper</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>\$70,655.00</b>
<b>FY24-MRWP-262</b>	<b>Judy Oldemeyer</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>\$21,326.86</b>
<b>FY24-MRWP-261</b>	<b>Ken Christensen</b>	<b>Pipestone</b>	<b>\$14179.67</b>

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

**FY22-MRWP nonstructural**

**FY22-MRWP-89CC                      Dean Tofteland                      \$50,000.00**

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

**FY24-MRWP**

**FY24-MRWP-22 ST/NT                      Dean Tofteland                      \$50,000.00**

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

**FY25 Soil Health**

**FY25-SH-04    Micheal Hoffman                      CC                      \$13,333.00**

**FY25-SH-05    Erik Brink                                      CC                      \$4,140.00**

**FY25-SH-02    Century Grain LLC                      CC                      \$13,333.00**

**FY25-SH-12    Tucker Madison                      CC                      \$6,840.00**

Dekam moved to approve contract above for payment. Nelsen 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 with the federal shut down and upcoming projects. Held interviews for the Resource Specialist position.

**ADMIN & FINANCE REPORT-** Etsinger updated the board on PFMLA and filed with the state. Started getting ready for year end reporting.

**DISTRICT TECHNICIAN REPORT:** none

**FARMBILL BIOLOGIST REPORT:** Schmidt updated the board about an easement issue. There is a junk pile on an easement that needs to be removed. State suggested a 75/25 split with Nobles SWCD paying the 25% to have the pile removed. Langseth moved to pay the 25% of the cost. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Their, DeKam, and Langseth Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

**DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST REPORT:** Crowley reported the Federal government is back open and they are trying to get caught up with everything due to the shutdown.

**WATERSHED DISTRICTS AND OTHER REPORTS:**

O&O Langseth reported that they set the budget for 2026. Crailsheim project will be sending back the money back to the state. Currently working with BWSR and the school to see what can be done. Lake Ocheda draw down is currently at 2ft down, needs 4 more feet to go. Schuck was hired as the new Administrator for the watershed. They will also be hiring Deb Olson to handle the payroll going forward.

County: Metz reported that the ditchwork wrapped up and has been payed out. Emily gave a report about MPCA looking at DWSMAs to see whats going on. The county will also be contracting with Schnieder for ArcGIS.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Resource Spec. Position:** Personal Committee held interviews with candidates for this position. The first candidate turned down the position. It was offered to next person with the most experience. With the base pay at the 2025 Level 9 year 2 salary, \$26.13. Langseth moved to approve the salary & offer to Jane. 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 December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 7:30 a.m.

**ADJOURN 8:53 a.m.**

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Secretary