

**Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District
Board Meeting
September 15, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held September 15, 2021, beginning at 7:30 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Lynn Darling. Present were Lynn Darling, Rick Nelsen, Jim Knips, Nathan Their, and Paul Langseth. Also, present were John Shea, District Manager; Tiffini Etsinger, Administrative Assistant; Scott Runck, District Technician; Will Gallman, Pheasants Forever Biologist; and Aaron Crowley, NRCS.

AGENDA: The Agenda for the September 15, 2021, meeting was reviewed. The Audit Report was moved to after the approval of the minutes. Langseth moved to approve the agenda. Thier seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Nelsen, Their, and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: The minutes for the August 2021 meeting were reviewed. Knips moved to approve the minutes as presented. Nelsen seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Nelsen, Their, and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

2020 Audit Report: Danielle Berg – Via phone, Danielle Berg presented the audit to the board

- The District's net position on the Statement of Activities and Governmental Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance increased due to the increases in revenues being greater than the increases in project expenses and payroll expenses.
- The current year activities resulted in an increase of \$16,416.
- The total revenues from State and Federal sources was up significantly compared to the prior year due to the utilization of funds for the Missouri River Watershed Implementation Grant along with higher local capacity usage. Charges for services was lower by \$33,898.
- The unearned revenue on the Statement of Net Position and Governmental Fund Balance Sheet had a significant increase in 2020 due to the receipt of funds related to the Missouri River Watershed Implementation Grant in the amount of \$660,223, the majority of which, \$536,089, was deferred at year end.

The Board asked that a 2 or 3 year Balance Sheet comparison be included in the upcoming Audits. This will be added to the Audit Request for 2021. Langseth moved to approve the 2020 Audit as presented. Knips seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Nelsen, Their, and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report and Bills Payable was presented and reviewed for September 2021. Knips moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$33,461.00 respectively. Their seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Nelsen, Their, and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

COST-SHARE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS:

MRWP Contracts –

49-Rheault	Josh Rheault	WWY Rock	\$7,544.11
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48-Hoff	Roger Hoff	WWY	Rock	\$19,259.68
25-Beyenhof	Bob Beyenhof	WWY	Rock	\$16,579.47
24-Fink	Milton Fink	WWY	Rock	\$15,973.43

Langseth moved to approve the 4 cost-share contracts for the MRWP. Knips seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Nelsen, Knips and Thier. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: none

District Manager Report – Shea updated the board about the vehicle requirements. The impala needs government markings, fire extinguishers per vehicle, reflective triangles, fuses all needed for each vehicle. Also, the Chevy needed \$687 in repairs. Summit Lake bill came in at \$6600.61 for the structure work done. Langseth moved to pay the bill. Thier seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth, Nelsen, Their, and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Shea also mentioned the weeds need to be sprayed the food plot also needs to be tilled under, some of the items will be above and beyond the contract. The board said ok to pay it. Shea updated the board on the Des Moines 1W1P on the planning process. The steering committee meeting will be October 13th and the next Policy meeting will be Oct 21st at 9am in the Cottonwood County Law center.

District Technician Report – none

District Conservationist Report – Aaron updated the board that he stated August 30th. He will be working on the NRCS programs and filing 1026s. NRCS has been making payments for Equip. Some residue and modification payments as well. CSP payments will start October 1st. CSP signup coming up to assess and rank. Nobles has 8 apps that screen high. Will has all the CRP plans completed and FSA is gathering the signatures.

Watershed Districts and Other Reports – O&O had a draw down on Ocheda about 2 weeks ago. They pulled logs for a dam, they did it slow due to the beaver dam downstream. Okabena the toxic algae is not a concern anymore.

Shea reported that August 25th the MRWP approved the funding for the update to the PTMap

Old Business: none

New Business:

2022 Draft Budget- We are waiting for BWSR to finish the budgets and grant totals. And Meeting with the county on the 29th. The Budget committee will met on the 24th.

BWSR Grant Agreements

State Cost Share- No BBR so more info is needed in the work plans. Shea will add it.

Local Capacity – no work plan

Buffer Law - there was a reduction in the grant

Calendar of Events:

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for October 20th at 7:30am

ADJOURN: September 15th, at 8:10 am.

Secretary

