Marshall County SWCD Board Meeting Minutes May 18th, 2025 @ 8am SWCD Conference Room

SWCD Board Members Present

Randy Larson, Chairman

Barry Walton, Treasurer

Dale Price, Public Relations

Other SWCD Members Present

Darren Carlson, District Manager

Jill Larson, Administrative Assistant

Other Members Present

Jill Fejszes, NRCS Soil Conservationist

NRCS Update

- 2 CSP approved in Marshall County
- CRP sign up just came out
 - Highest rate \$99
 - o The deadline for sign up is June 6, 2025
 - 70 contract renewals, 50 more interested

CREP (Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program)

- Part of Continuous Conservation Reserve Program (CCRP), administered by FSA in partnership with states, Tribal governments, and non-governmental organizations.
- Partners work with FSA to develop CREP agreements to help address specific conservation challenges in select areas.
- Farmers and landowners are encouraged to enter long-term conservation contracts, taking sensitive land out of production and adopting conservation practices. Offers annual payments, cost-share support, and financial incentives.

- Farmers and landowners with land in designated CREP project areas are eligible to apply. Land must meet certain criteria related to environmental sensitivity and conservation potential. Must be able to apply and uphold conservation practices.
- Can be paired with CRP payments. 10–15-year commitment. Interested applicants should contact FSA.

Tree Program

- Two sites are left to plant.
- May 9-10 were pick up dates and went well. Those who didn't pick up were called to schedule a time to pick up.
- Some of the potted Colorado Blue Spruce came in with burnt tops. Working on with Schumacher's Nursery to resolve the issue.

Drill/Seed Program

- Grass/tree plantings (see attachment)
- The government gave go ahead to start CRP/CCRP plantings before May 15 due to favorable weather conditions.

2025 Projects

- Current 2025 Finished Projects (attachment) will expand, May/June is busiest month.
- More people signing up for Well Sealing contracts
- Swift Coulee Project
 - o Phase 1 in progress. Trees have been taken down from many sites.

New Employee

 Introduce Brady Madsen new Technician. Currently helping with the tree and drill program.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting Friday, June 20 at 8am in SWCD Conference Room.

Signature: _

Date: 16-20-25

2025 Planned Marshall SWCD Projects () Marshall SWCD Cost Share Funds

Location	Project	Project Completed	Payment Made	C/S \$ SWCD C/S Programs/Contract #
Veldt 29	Tree Planting			\$3,386.25 CCP 24-08 & CCP 25-07
Excel St. 12	Well Sealing			\$877.50 CCP 25-08 & State Aid 25-01
Wright 21	Grassed Waterway			\$28,205.11 23-MSTR-ENG-04
Viking 28	Grade Stabilization - 1			\$101,195.72 23-MSTR-ENG-05
Comstock 12	Grade Stabilization - 1			\$14,452.32 23-MSTR-ENG-04
Viking 28	Well Sealing			\$900.00 23-MSTR-WS-17
Agder 32	Grade Stabilization - 3			\$16,885.28 MSWCD_TRWBIF_05
New Solum 9	Cover Crop			\$3,417.50 Soil Health 25-01
Bloomer 36	Cover Crop			\$4,000.00 Soil Health 25-02
McCrea St. 3	Cover Crop			\$3,945.00 Soil Health 25-03
Newfolden 10	Cover Crop			\$2,000.00 Soil Health 25-04
Espelie 23	Well Sealing			\$787.50 State Aid 25-02
Alma 9	Tree Planting			\$3,532.50 State Aid 25-03
Lincoln 15	Tree Planting			\$1,941.00 State Aid 25-04
Alma 14	Tree Planting	:		\$2,058.75 State Aid 25-05
Marsh Grove 12	Grade Stabilization - 3			\$13,811.49 23-MSTR-ENG-07

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