

MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 20, 2021  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Minutes of the Marshall County Soil and Water Conservation District, P.O. Box 74, Warren, Minnesota, April 20, 2021.

Green called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

Members Present: Chairman, Carl Green  
Secretary, Duane Potucek  
Treasurer, Brad Berg  
Public Relations, Wallace Bengtson

Members Absent: Vice-Chairman, Brent Miller

Others Present: Programs Manager, Darren Carlson  
Administrative Assistant, Janelle Kollin  
Technician, Michael Carlson

Minutes - Motion by Bengtson, seconded by Potucek to accept the minutes as mailed from the March 16, 2021 board meeting.

Affirmative: Potucek , Berg, Bengtson

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Motion by Berg, seconded by Bengtson to accept and approve the Treasurer's Report.

Affirmative: Potucek , Berg, Bengtson

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

The Profit and Loss and Accounts Receivable List was passed out.

Pheasants Forever – see attached

NRCS Report – not available

TSA Representative – Carlson stated they would like a board member representative. The board would like to see if Brent would be willing to serve on this board.

State Cost Share – Motion by Potucek, seconded by Berg to approve state cost share to Matt Ellerbusch for a field windbreak, 3 rows in McCrea township, section 32 with a total cost of \$3822.80 with 75% cost share being \$2867.10.

Affirmative: Potucek , Berg, Bengtson

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

2018 Local Capacity Cost Share – Motion by Berg, seconded by Bengtson to accept and approve the following cost share contracts:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>75%</u>
Patrick Erickson	Cedar-22	1 SWI	\$ 2347.50	\$ 1760.40
Richard Gratzek	Wright-17	6 SWI	\$14,848.90	\$11,136.68
Neil Johnson	Boxville-4	3 SWI	\$ 5744.40	\$ 4308.30

Affirmative: Potucek , Berg, Bengtson

Opposed: None

Motion carried.

Tree Program – The trees are coming April 26. Handout day is April 29-30. 13,000 trees ordered and roughly 11,000 are sold. There are 6 tree planting sites to plant. We will be doing a fall newsletter and order trees earlier.

Drill Program – To date we have 340 acres lined up. Buffer cost share dollars are set to expire at the end of 2021, but we could possibly get an extension. Buffers can be planted now, and we can start on CRP acres on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

PRAP – This is not a quick process and will take approximately 6-9 months. The board would like to proceed with this.

The hiring process was discussed with no action being taken.

Equipment – Discussion about possibly selling some equipment and thinking for the future needs.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at the SWCD office.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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Secretary