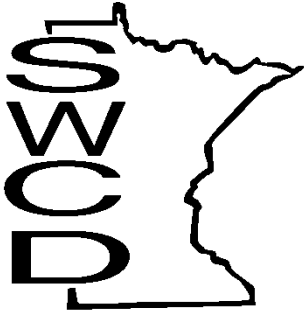


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Staff

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Shelly Lewis

Program Manager

Craig Christensen

Resource Specialist

Danielle Kuball

Members Present:

Paul Posthuma-Chairman
Anthony Conrad-Secretary
Karen Hurd-Treasurer
Mona Henkels-P.R.&I.

Members Absent:

Jason Miller- Vice Chairman

Others Present:

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator
Craig Christensen-Program Manager
Danielle Kuball-Resource Specialist
Allisa Wendland-District Conservationist

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

Additions to Agenda: The chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve the agenda as presented.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Minutes of February 13, 2025: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve the Murray SWCD minutes of February 13, 2025 with the correction of Henkels seconded the motion for paying salaries in January.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

The monthly Statement of Treasurer was read and filed for audit.

Salaries: Motion by Hurd second by Conrad to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for February, 2025.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None.

Motion carried.

DC Report: Allisa reported on the following:

The civil rights policy statement were reviewed and signed by each of the Supervisors.

Ag Certification: No Report for February.

Rates for Soil Health practices: The Board discussed rates for Soil Health Practices. A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to set the following rates:

\$45.00/Acre-Cover Crops for Multi species

\$35.00/Acre-Cover Crops for Single species

\$30.00/Acre-No Till/Strip Till

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

MCIT HR Training: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Conrad to approve Lewis attending the HR training in St. Cloud on April 8-10, 2025.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

April SWCD Board Meeting: A motion was made by Conrad seconded by Henkels to change the April SWCD Board meeting to Wednesday, April 16, 2025 due to administrator attending training.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

RCRCA Joint Powers Agreement: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve and have Posthuma sign the RCRCA Joint Powers Agreement.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

State Cost-Share: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve cost-share application: Dustin Schuld Diversion \$13,500 FY 24-\$10,938.40 & FY 25-\$2,561.60 Conservation Contracts

NRCS Technical

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Des Moines River 1W1P Cost-Share: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve Jesse Nantkes: A Waterway and two Basins funded through the Des Moines River Watershed designed by NRCS, cost-share of \$115,974.83 in Belfast 10.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Conrad to approve Cory Reith: A basin funded through the Des Moines River Watershed designed by TSA 5, cost-share of \$12,635.25 in Lowville 35.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Conrad to approve Glen Talsma: Waterway funded through the Des Moines River Watershed designed by TSA cost-share of \$19,446.45 in Chanarambie 26.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Conrad seconded by Hurd to approve Kole Henkel: Cover Crops funded through the Des Moines River for \$2,970.00.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Resource Specialist: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to take Danielle Kuball (Resource Specialist) off 6-month probation and move her to step 8 on the Murray SWCD pay scale.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Environmental Fair: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to make a \$2,000.00 donation to the Environmental Fair which is to be held at the Marshall Fair Grounds on September 23-24, 2025.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Annual Report for Newspaper: A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Conrad to purchase a ½ page in the Wheel for the Murray SWCD annual report.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

District Administrator Update: Lewis updated the Board on the following:
Murray SWCD, SWPTSA, & Des Moines River 1W1P:

- End of month
- February 24-In Windom for Des Moines River 1W1P grant reconciliation
- eLINK monthly reporting for TSA
- SWPTSA managers meeting March 3
- SWMACDE meeting March 3
- Des Moines River 1W1P technical meeting on March 12

Program Manager Update: Christensen updated the Board on the following:

- Attended Missouri 1W1P meeting
- Attended Des Moines River 1W1P
- Attended Cottonwood River 1W1P
- Working on RIM program
- Working on Drills
- Working on Tree Orders

Resource Specialist:

- Des Moines River Meetings
- RCPP meeting
- WCA 101 & 201 training
- Cottonwood River 1W1P meeting
- Went out & surveyed for a project
- Environmental Fair meeting
- Working on cost-share contracts

Bills: A motion by Henkels seconded by Conrad to approve the Murray SWCD bills from February 14, 2025-March 13, 2025, in the amount of \$3,730.03.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 16, 2025

Approved by Anthony Conrad, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date