

Renville Soil & Water Conservation District
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Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes	Date: July 11th, 2024
	Time: 7:30 am-8:30 am
	Location: Renville SWCD meeting room, 1008 W Lincoln Ave Olivia, MN

The Renville County Soil & Water Conservation District promotes sustainable use of water and soil resources through innovative and mutually beneficial conservation activities with local stakeholders.

Present: Kokesch, Koenig, Smith
 Guest, Cory Seehusen
 Staff: Hatlewick, Dawn, Winzenburg, Richter, Newberg

Agenda Items	Purpose	Presenter
1. Call to Order 7:30am		Chair
2. Approval of Agenda	DECISION Koenig, Kokesch MSC	Chair
3. Citizen Comment Period (2 minutes per person)	INFO	Chair
4. Consent Agenda June Meeting Minutes, June treasurer's reports, and bills paid	DECISION Kokesch, Koenig MSC	Chair and Administrator
5. Old Business a) Depository, keep FM Checking open till end of USDA Grant period to keep open till grant closes Amend motions from March	UPDATE/ DISCUSSION/ DECISION Kokesch, Koenig MSC	Chair and Administrator
6. Personnel Committee a) Dawn Probation review, recommendation of 3% increase effective once she meets her full probationer period	DISCUSSION/ DECISION Koenig, Kokesch, MCS	Personnel Committee
7. New Business a) 2025 SWCD draft budget, discussion was held b) MASWCD Conservation nomination 2024, discussion was held c) Board policy for memorials, discussion was held board to delegate SWCD Administrator & Administrator delegated staff to go after other funds that benefit that watershed Koenig, Kokesch MSC Delegate SWCD Administrator to approve contracts up to \$75,000.00 Kokesch, Koenig MSC	DECISION	Administrator and Resource Conservationist
8. Program Updates– 8:15 am, all employees. Team Building questions: What is your favorite cookout food? a) Programs and cost share b) SWCD Staff Reports. Hatlewick, County Drainage proposed agreement, Koeing, Kokesch MSC HH leave July 19-Aug 2 , upcoming alliance	DISCUSSION/ DECISION	Chair with Staff support

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<p>meeting early Aug with SFA, CWC update, meeting with landlord 10am Ana: MASCDE grant funded for outreach, see attached for written report Pamela: discussed Farmward activities, see attached for written report Sean: working on trainings and RIM inspections, all but 20 inspections remain. see attached for written report Kyle: discussed SFC collaborative update c) NRCS Report, Jeff Kjorness d) Board reports Koenig- Attended Area VI meeting in Hutchinson Kokesch- Attended Area VI meeting in Hutchinson, Mankato TSA meeting Smith- attended Benson ethanol meeting</p>		
<p>9. Other a) Legislative guest(s) 9:00am, no guest arrived b) Policy discussion, discussion was held</p>	<p>DISCUSSION/ DECISION</p>	<p>Chair, all board, with staff support</p>
<p>10. Motion to adjourn 9:35am</p>	<p>DECISION Kokesch, Koenig MSC</p>	

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Next regular Board Meeting, August 8th, 2024
- MASWCD Governance 101 Training in Alexandria, MN, July 16th & 17th, 2024
- Farm Fest in Redwood Falls, MN, August 6th-8th
- Renville County Fair in Bird Island, MN, August 7th-9th 2024
- Take Root in Soil Health Event at Renville SWCD farm plots, 6pm-8pm August 28th, 2024