

**Agenda for the September 14th, 2017 Meeting of the Norman County
Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors
8:00 to 10:00 am District Office Twin Valley, Mn 56584**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call – Fill out Vouchers and approve agenda**
- 3. Secretaries Report – motion**
- 4. Treasurers Report -- motion**
- 5. Speakers: NRCS, Watershed**
- 6. Unfinished Business**
 - A. Projects & Grants – report
 - B. Buffer Program - report
 - C. Pickup info – report
 - D. Other
- 7. New Business**
 - A. Cost Share – **motion**
 - B. BWSR Academy – **motion**
 - C. Other
- 8. Adjourn Meeting – motion**

Grants

NRBG (Water Plan, Wetland, Feedlot),
Discovery Farms, Capacity, AIS, Cost Share,
RIM, Observation Wells, Cons Delivery
Buffer Law Grant, MAWQCP

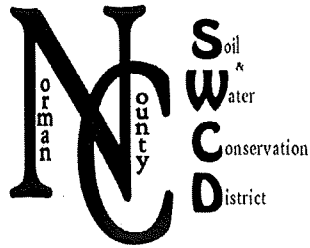
Meetings & Training

September 14th – Board Meeting
September 14th - Ron's Birthday
September 19th – Water Festival, Warren
September 20th – Water Festival, Fertile

October 9th – Closed
October 12th – Board Meeting

SWCD Programs and Services

Tree Planting and Maintenance
Conservation Delivery Program
Erosion Control & Water Management
Local Water Management Plan
Rainfall Monitoring Program
Wetland Conservation Act
Observation Well Monitoring
Feedlot Program
Aquatic Invasive Species Program
Reinvest in Minnesota – RIM
Buffer Law Program
Discovery Farms Water Sampling
MAWQCP (Certification Program)
Ag BMP Program
NRCS Programs
Education Days



Minutes for the August 10, 2017, meeting of the Norman County Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors, District Office Twin Valley, Mn.

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Norman County SWCD Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman, Ron Thorsrud at 8:00 AM.

A motion was moved by Tufte, second by Rockstad to approve the August agenda.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

2. Roll Call

Members Present

- Ron Thorsrud, Chairman
- Kelly Skaurud, Vice Chairman
- Gene Ueland, Secretary
- Erik Rockstad, Treasurer
- Bruce Tufte, Reporter

Members Absent

None

Others Present

- Lori Thronson, District Manager
- Mark Christianson, District Technician
- Courtney Habedank, Conservation Technician
- Dusty Jasken, NRCS
- Kevin Ruud, Wild Rice Watershed

3. Secretaries Report

A motion was moved by Skaurud, second by Rockstad to approve the July 13th Secretaries Report.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

4. Treasurers Report

A motion was moved by Rockstad, second by Tufte to approve the July Treasurers Report.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

5. Speakers Reports:

NRCS: EQIP deadline for signup is August 18th, we had 17 applications for EQIP and all are preapproved; September 1st is the deadline for getting the contracts out to the folks. There has been quite a few emergency haying and grazing plans that have been signed up. No updates on when NRCS will be filling the open DC position in Norman County. Dusty attended the Conservation Tour in Mahnomen on August 3rd. They looked at a 1,200-acre WRP site that is being grazed with rotational pasture. Looked at some filter strips along the county ditches and structural practices that were constructed. Cover Crops were also part of the tour.

Watershed: The watershed will not be doing the enforcement for buffers on their ditches, county is taking this over. Committee meetings were held for the South Branch and Moccasin Creek projects, went over the information received from the recent public meetings held.

6. Unfinished Business

A. Project Reports & Grants

1 person was in to apply for the Ag BMP loan program to purchase equipment to seed cover crops. Worked on an ag banking application for the board to approve. 2 more requests have come in for sediment basins. The county received an increase in AIS funds due to the fact we submitted public access site information not listed on their map. Increase from \$8,676 to \$13,100.

B. Buffer Program

We have 12 folks signed up for the buffer cost share, lots of people stopping and calling to see if they need to do any seeding. DNR will be updating the buffer map the week of August 14th, Mark has sent comments to them about removing some areas.

C. Pickup Info

We went and looked at a 2005 Chevy 2500 pickup for \$9,500, 2-wheel drive.

D. Ag Banking

Need board approval on a 200-acre parcel of ag banking with 83 acres of wetland credits in Home Lake Township.

A motion was moved by Skaurud, second by Rockstad to approve signing the Ag Banking Application.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

E. Increase in District Services

A motion was moved by Skaurud, second by Ueland to approve the increase for the District Services. See attached.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

F. Mahnomen Tour

Courtney attended, Dusty discussed earlier.

G. Other

None

7. New Business

A. Cost Share

A motion was moved by Rockstad, second by Ueland to approve the following flat rate cost share contract not to exceed \$48/acre.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

#9-17 Blair Hoseth Cover Crop \$945.60 \$48/acre

A motion was moved by Tufte, second by Skaurud to approve the following cost share payments not to exceed 75%.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

**#7-17 Barent Thronson Field Windbreak \$866.25 75%
#8-17 Bob Dahlen Field Windbreak \$236.25 75%**

B. Nonstructural Practice Cost Share - this was approved before the cost share contracts

A motion was moved by Rockstad, second by Tufte to approve the Nonstructural Implementation Plan for cover crops.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

C. CWF Grant Application

The office worked with our Board Conservationist and submitted a CWF application for installation of 7 sediment basins in the county.

D. CC Meeting for Buffer Budget

There is a County Commissioner meeting on August 31st to approve the budget for the buffer enforcement.

E. Other

None.

8. Adjourn meeting at 9:15

A motion was moved by Rockstad, second by Ueland to adjourn the meeting.

**Affirmative: 5 Yays Opposed: 0 Nays
Motion Carried**

Dated _____ Respectfully Submitted:

Gene Ueland, NCSWCD Board Secretary