

**Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District  
Board Meeting  
September 16, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District was held September 16, 2020 beginning at 7:33 a.m. The meeting was called to order by Acting Chair, Lynn Darling. Present were Lynn Darling, Paul Langseth, and Jim Knips. Also present were John Shea, District Manager; Sabrina Vosberg, Administrative Assistant; Scott Runck, District Technician; and Robert Demuth, Nobles County.

AGENDA: The Agenda for the September 16, 2020 meeting was reviewed. Knips moved to approve the agenda as presented. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: The minutes for the August 19, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Knips moved to approve the minutes as presented. Wolf seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report and Bills Payable was presented and reviewed for August 2020. Knips moved to approve the reports, subject to audit, in the amount of \$51,269.96, respectively. Knips seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Langseth and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

Nelsen arrived at 7:35 am. He took over as chair of the meeting.

**COST-SHARE CONTRACTS AND PAYMENTS:**

**MRWP Cost-Share**

<b>FY20-MRWP-17-Bullerman</b>	<b>Brandee Bullerman</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>WWY</b>	<b>\$29,035.80</b>
<b>FY20-MRWP-18-Bullerman</b>	<b>Brandee Bullerman</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>WASCB</b>	<b>\$43,362.00</b>
<b>FY20-MRWP-19-Overgaard</b>	<b>Loren Overgaard</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>WWY</b>	<b>\$14,421.83</b>
<b>FY20-MRWP-20-Overgaard</b>	<b>Loren Overgaard</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>WASCB</b>	<b>\$15,279.99</b>
<b>FY20-MRWP-21-Pap</b>	<b>Will Pap</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>WWY</b>	<b>\$14,707.15</b>
<b>FY20-MRWP-22-Top</b>	<b>Brian Top</b>	<b>Rock</b>	<b>WASCB</b>	<b>\$16,127.85</b>

Langseth moved to approve the 6 cost-share contracts for the MRWP. Knips seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Langseth and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

<b>FY19-01-Bonsma</b>	<b>Dennis Bonsma</b>	<b>WWY</b>	<b>\$13,906.40</b>
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Langseth moved to approve the payment on the project for Dennis Bonsma in the amount of \$13,906.40. Knips seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Langseth and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT: Shea discussed the bill from Travis Sievers on a tile reroute for Summit Lake 11.

After discussion, Knips moved to pay the invoice to Sievers. Langseth seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Langseth and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST: None.

#### OLD BUSINESS

MRWP – The group met last week to discuss RCPP funds. Shea will be working with the staff on this to see if we can get qualified for the funds.

DES MOINES 1W1P – They received the funds to start the planning process. Murray County will be leading the planning process and Jackson SWCD will be the fiscal agent.

SUMMIT LAKE 11 – Shea discussed the option to add another structure on the site to hold more water.

COVID – 19 Update – Next meeting will be held in the normal board room.

WATERSHED DISTRICTS AND OTHER REPORTS – OOWD is still working on the draw down. Livdahl is also working with the blue-green algae and carp study. Shea reported briefly on KLR. Demuth reported on Nobles County. The County set a ½ cent sales tax beginning in 2021 for roads and bridges. The county is also looking at 2-3% increase on the levy.

#### NEW BUSINESS

2019 AUDIT REPORT – Danielle Berg – Via phone, Danielle Berg presented the audit to the board. Nobles SWCD had an increase of \$173,270 on the fund balance this year.

Langseth moved to accept the audit as presented. Knips seconded the motion. Affirmative: Darling, Nelsen, Langseth and Knips. Opposed: None. Motion Carried.

FARM BILL TECH POSITION – LaCour left for a position at Traverse SWCD. Shea has looked at turning the position into a PF position.

Langseth moved to turn the position into a PF position. Knips seconded the motion. Affirmative: Langseth and Knips. Opposed: Darling and Nelsen. Motion Failed.

Shea will reach out to others that have already switched to PF holding the position to get feedback. He will also schedule a call with Tanner Bruse at the next meeting.

LIDAR UPDATE – The county is looking at doing a flyover. The hope is that by 2022 an updated map is available. The county is also looking at working with the state to get this accomplished by 2022.

2021 DRAFT BUDGET – Meet with Personnel and Budget committees will schedule to meet before next meeting.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2020 at 7:30 a.m.

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Ken Wolf, Secretary