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**MINUTES FROM THE March 9, 2023 MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**

The monthly meeting of the Redwood Soil and Water Conservation District was called to order Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 8:33 a.m. by Chair Jeff Potter

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeff Potter - Chair  
Ed Carter - Vice Chair (via Zoom)  
Rick Maurer - Treasurer  
Brian Timm - PR & I

**STAFF:** Jeanne Prescott - Office Manager, Brian Pfarr, Resource Specialist, Kurt Mathiowetz, Water Quality Technician, Ben Bauer, Conservation Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jeff Kjorness, District Conservationist (Via Zoom), Michaela Nelson, NRCS Soil Conservationist

**ADOPT AGENDA:** Motion by Carter, second by Timm to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

February 8, 2023 minutes; Motion by Timm, second by Carter to approve minutes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None at this time.

**FINANCE REPORTS:** Motion by Carter, second by Maurer to Approve Finance Report. Motion carried.

**BILLS PAYABLE:** Motion by Carter, second by Timm to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried.

**GRANT TRACKER:** Informational

**SOCIAL MEDIA ARCHIVING:** Mathiowetz shared that he was working on this.

**REPORTS:**

**RESOURCE SPECIALIST:** Pfarr reported Nick Brozek and he went to visit with Jean Price in Audit about 1099s having SS#'s masked and why they need to send out to landowner projects with money going in and out. Carter advised to wait until next year (Nov.-Dec.) they may revise, however, funds need to be tracked going in and out. Pfarr reported; working on Grants and teaming with Kerry Netzke on Clean Water Grant- Water Storage Grant (2 projects) and also mentioned other upcoming projects and funding. Talked about PH and Tanner Bruse commenting 10hrs a month. Pfarr mentioned a concern that there was not going to be enough CRP's to justify the extra help. This work can be done by existing NRCS and SWCD staff. Potter stated this will still be on hold, until there is more justification.

**WATER QUALITY TECHNICIAN:** Mathiowetz reported, working on Water Quality certifications. 40 applications- enforcements, 26 certification. Talked about enforcements: Soil Health, cover crops task management etc, carbon market, implementing practices, etc, wild life, set aside land etc., working on other projects as well.

**CONSERVATION SPECIALIST:** Bauer reported; waiting to put Soil Probes in the fields, explained how they will work. Working on LCCMR/Ramsey Creek, Buffer Law and compliances, CREP & RIM files gathering information and updating, so far good response with returns, making calls to landowners. Carter asked how deep the probes go into the ground 4'/8'? Bauer stated not sure, has to learn how to set up. Maurer asked how was the data going to be viewed. Pfarr commented 4yr. span.

**RCRCA:** Carter reported meeting was canceled.

**TSA:** Maurer reported he had no information at this time to share.

**DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST:** Kjorness shared Attachment 4

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Prescott presented a contact for Cletus Rohlik, WASCB, District Cost Share 22-23 for the Amount of \$2,808.75, Carter made motion, seconded by Maurer, Motion passed.

Potter brought out the Farmer's Magazine with feature story of The Fultz Farm for Outstanding Conservationist., Potter also shared information about his trip to the St. Paul State Capital for SWCDs Legislative Days March 7 – 8, 2023 and what was discussed. Potter met with Representative Paul Torkelson, Representative Chris Swedinski, and Senator Gary Dahmes. Potter stated they know our concerns.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next regular board meeting is planned for April 12, 2023 at 8:30 A.M. **USDA Service Center Conference Room (SWCD Building)**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Potter adjourned the meeting at 9:33a.m.

  
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Supervisor