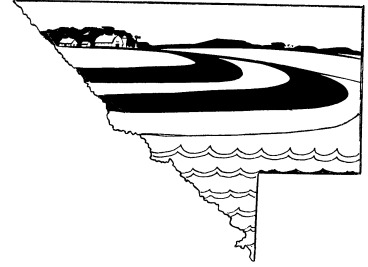


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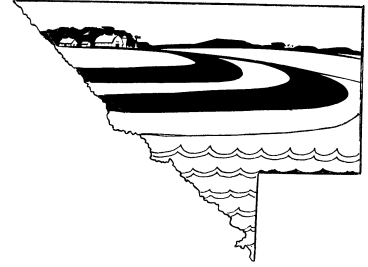
Minutes of the Chippewa Soil and Water Conservation District, Courthouse, NRCS/SWCD office, Montevideo, MN 56265.

1. Meeting was **called to order** by Board Chair Steve Jacobson at 10:00 a.m.
  - Members **present**: Steve Jacobson, Jerry Schwitters, Calin Eisenlohr, Steve Sunderland, Michelle Overholser
  - Others **present**: SWCD staff: Desirae Jarett, Zach Bothun, Tom Warner, Tom Sletta; NRCS staff: Shantel Lozinski & Jon Matz
2. M/S/P Schwitters, Eisenlohr approve the agenda. All in favor.
3. M/S/P Sunderland, Overholser approve the April meeting minutes. All in favor.
4. Bills were presented for ratification & payment.
5. **NRCS Report**-Shantel Lozinski:
  - NRCS monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: sent LWG notes and summary to area office; caught up 1026s; sent out practice reminder letters; completed CRP wetland restoration; finished last of EQIP obligations; worked on CRP plans (50 or so done) worked on bus tour facts, notes and photos; processed CSP classic; attended all employee meeting; completed NASS crop reporting; completed CEU credits for planning certification; attended emergency FAC meetings for weather damage; completed 2022 compliance reviews for HEL/wetland, and completed CRP status reviews.
6. **Staff Reports**-
  - **District Manager**: monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: obtained extension from NRCS for tree planting-three sites left; discussed upcoming projects; worked on tile drain requests; received application for CCM Health wetland/boundary type; sent out NOA; had TEP meeting on site with wetland consultant to review delineation report; and worked on conservation tour.
  - **Technical Manager**: monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: hosted CRWA 1W1P kickoff meeting in Glenwood on April 5; attended Chippewa River CRWA TAC meetings; worked on planning watershed bus tour; attended CMRWP staff meetings— setting up JPB, working on cost share policy; attended WCA training May 17-18 in Spicer; went on WCA site visit with TEP at CCMHealth; surveyed CRP; planted trees and began seeding.
  - **District Technician**: monthly activities and updates reported include but are not limited to: read observation wells, worked on tree plans and tree planting; worked on Schuler CREP final review; picked up new tractor; and repairs on the seed drill.
7. **Old Business**
  - Desirae and Tom W. discussed Tom's retirement and severance package request.
    - M/S/P Overholser, Schwitters approve Tom's retirement in October 2023 with regular severance payout plus one year of paid health insurance November 2023-October 2024.
8. **New Business**
  - Zach discussed Swift SWCD resolutions:

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- Increase Erosion Control and Water Management Program Funding and Create a Workgroup to Revise Allocation Formula
- Revise Local Capacity Policy to Allow Incentive Payments as an Eligible Expense
  - M/S/P Schwitters, Sunderland approve to submit a letter of support for both Swift SWCD resolutions.
- Desirae discussed upcoming Area II meeting in Alexandria.
- Desirae presented 2023 budget.
  - M/S/P Overholser, Eisenlohr approve 2023 budget as presented.

## 9. Adjourn

**Next Meeting:** Monday, July 11, 2022 3 p.m.–Commissioner’s Room  
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