

AGENDA

NICOLLET SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Wednesday, June 7th, 2023

8:30 A.M.

501 7th Street

Nicollet, MN 56074

- I. Call to Order
- II. Audience Participation
- III. Review of agenda: Additions – Cancellations
- IV. Minutes of April 12th, 2023 Meeting
- V. Bills Paid: April 2023
- VI. Bills Paid: May 2023
- VII. Treasurer's Report: May 2023
- VIII. Treasurer's Report: June 2023
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
 1. Eric's Resignation/Farm Bill Position Plan
 2. MASWCD Legislative Results
 3. Local Work Group Meeting
 4. Tree Sales Results
 5. St. Peter Wellhead/Project 33 Contract
 6. Area VI Meeting June 21st in Gaylord
 7. 2023 Juneteenth Holiday
 8. Resolution - Middle MN – MN River 1W1P
- XI. NRCS Report
- XII. Supervisor & Staff Report
- XIII. Other Business
- XIV. Next Meeting
- XV. Adjourn



MINNESOTA SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

Minutes of the Nicollet Soil and Water Conservation District, 501 7th Street, Nicollet, Minnesota,
June 7th, 2023.

Meeting was called to order by Chair – Annexstad at 8:30 A.M.

Members Present: Chair, Eric Annexstad
 Vice Chair, Don Hermanson
 Treasurer, Tim Braun
 Secretary, John Kral
 Member, Bruce Hulke

Others Present:

 District Manager, Kevin Ostermann
 Administrative Assistant, Judy Beetch
 District Technician, Blake Honetschlager
 NRCS, Jake Stich
 NRCS, Reyna Chavez – Absent
 County Commissioner, Kurt Zins – Absent
 Jeremy Maul, BWSR – Absent

Upon a motion by Hulke and seconded by Hermanson, it was moved to approve the agenda.
Ayes Hulke, Annexstad, Hermanson, Braun, Kral. Carried.

Upon a motion by Braun and seconded by Kral, it was moved to approve the minutes of the
April 12th, 2023 meeting. Ayes Hulke, Annexstad, Hermanson, Braun, Kral. Carried.

Upon a motion by Kral and seconded by Hulke, it was moved to approve 27 paid bills for April
2023 totaling \$35,972.43 (Checking Account), and 0 paid bills for April 2023 (Grants Account).
Also approved were 40 paid bills for May 2023 totaling \$114,464.53 (Checking Account) and 0
paid bills for May 2023 (Grants Account). Ayes Hulke, Annexstad, Hermanson, Braun, Kral.
Carried.

Upon a motion by Braun and seconded by Hulke, it was moved to approve the May 2023 and
June 2023 Treasurer's Report, subject to audit and to make a \$25,000.00 payment on the
outstanding loan. Ayes Hulke, Annexstad, Hermanson, Braun, Kral. Carried.

Old Business:

New Business:

Eric's Resignation/Farm Bill Position Plan: Eric Miller's last day was May 25th. Ostermann said he will hold off on filling the position since funding is uncertain at this time.

MASWCD Legislative Results: Overall, the session concluded with significant investments in conservation, but nothing has been spelled out yet. Hopefully we will get numbers at the Area VI Meeting. Informational. No motion needed.

Tree Sales Results: Ostermann shared the results of the 2023 Tree Sales. Profits were approximately \$7,500. No motion needed.

Local Work Group Meeting: Attendees included all those at the Board Meeting as well as Ken Rossow, retired banker and Samantha Schoenbauer, Ag Extension Educator for Nicollet and Sibley Counties.

The purpose of the meeting is to prioritize local resource concerns in the county and practices that are associated with those concerns through Farm Bill Programs.

The top resource concerns from 2023 were: wind and water erosion; concentrated erosion; field sediment, nutrient and pathogen loss; field pesticide loss; and degraded plant condition. Stich commented that the top concerns were similar for area counties and normally stay the same year after year.

Attendees agreed that they would like to see local fund pools target non-IRA practices: water and sediment basins, grade stabilization structures and terraces, as IRA funding will support non-structural practices over the next few years.

There will be an increase in IRA funds and potential soil health money from the state. Stich mentioned that staff will be needed to implement the programs in order to effectively use the money.

Programs should be promoted through newspapers, social media and SWCD newsletters. Rossow suggested meeting with bankers, extension, seed dealers, etc. that work with the producers and can let them know about the programs.

Attendees were asked to rank their concerns, which will be compiled and counted.

Hermanson made a motion to adjourn the Local Work Group Meeting, which was seconded by Kral. Ayes Hulke, Annexstad, Hermanson, Braun, Kral. Carried.

St. Peter Wellhead/Project 33 Contracts:

A request was presented to the Board to enter into a Clean Water Funds 2021 contract, CW 4(21), for Nutrient Management of 98 acres for 3 years. Estimated cost of the project is \$7,717.50. Upon a motion by Kral and seconded by Hulke, it was moved to approve contract CW 4(21) for \$7,717.50. Ayes Hermanson, Hulke, Kral, Braun, Annexstad. Carried.

The District received a request to enter into a Clean Water Funds 2021 contract, CW 5(21), for Nutrient Management of 548 acres for 3 years. Estimated cost for this project is \$43,155.00. Upon a motion by Braun and seconded by Hermanson, it was moved to approve assistance in the amount of \$43,155.00 for contract CW 5(21). Ayes Hermanson, Hulke, Kral, Braun, Annexstad. Carried.

Area VI Meeting June 21st hosted by Sibley SWCD: Attendance for the Area VI Meeting in Gaylord was approved at the April meeting. Supervisors were reminded of the meeting and asked to RSVP by June 15th. No motion needed.

2023 Juneteenth Holiday: A motion was made by Hermanson and seconded by Braun, to approve Juneteenth (June 19th) as an official holiday starting in 2023. Ayes Hermanson, Hulke, Kral, Braun, Annexstad. Carried.

Middle MN – MN River 1W1P Resolution: Upon a motion by Hermanson and seconded by Hulke, a Resolution to support the Minnesota River-Mankato Watershed, One Watershed, One Plan project. The Resolution indicates that we are willing to collaborate on this effort, along with Blue Earth and Le Sueur Counties and SWCDs. Nicollet County will lead the project with Honetschlager being co-lead. Nicollet County will be the fiscal agent for the planning stage. Ayes Hermanson, Hulke, Kral, Braun, Annexstad. Carried.

NRCS Report: Jake Stich attended from NRCS. See attached report.

Supervisor & Staff Report: Kral requested an updated sheet with acronyms. Hulke reported that TSA is fully staffed. The staff reports are attached.

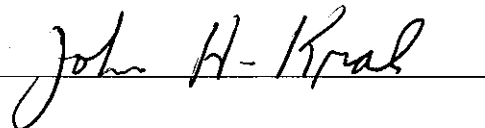
Other Business: None

Next Meeting: July 12th, 2023 at 8:30 A.M.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Hermanson and seconded by Kral to adjourn the meeting. Meeting Adjourned at 10:26 A.M.

Approved: _____

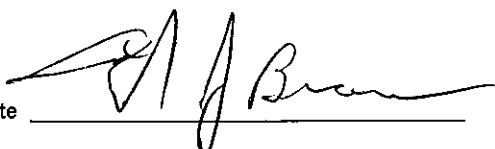
Secretary

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Nicollet SWCD
Monthly Treasurer's Report
 May 1, 2023

May 1, 23

	Apr 30, 23
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10000 · Pioneer Bank	310,535.01
11000 · Pioneer Bank Grants	250,609.25
12000 · Pioneer Bank Savings	109,601.94
15000 · Pioneer Bank CD	150,000.00
Total Checking/Savings	820,746.20
Accounts Receivable	
11001 · Accounts Receivable	9,136.01
Total Accounts Receivable	9,136.01
Other Current Assets	
12001 · Undeposited Funds	1,815.32
14000 · Prepaid Expenses	3,257.00
Total Other Current Assets	5,072.32
Total Current Assets	834,954.53
TOTAL ASSETS	834,954.53
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
21000 · Unearned Revenue	
UR - Area VI Training	825.00
UR - Buffer Grant T&A	17,000.00
UR - BWSR 2021 Capacity	16,812.04
UR - BWSR 2022 Capacity	63,308.78
UR - BWSR 2023 Capacity	130,382.00
UR - Clean Water 2021	207,022.53
UR - Soil Health Cost Share	14,175.00
UR - Targeted Watershed	0.00
Total 21000 · Unearned Revenue	449,525.35
24000 · Payroll Liabilities	
25500 · Sales Tax Payable	926.43
Total 24000 · Payroll Liabilities	926.43
Total Other Current Liabilities	450,451.78
Total Current Liabilities	450,451.78
Total Liabilities	450,451.78
Equity	
32000 · Retained Earnings	264,590.71
Net Income	119,912.04
Total Equity	384,502.75
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	834,954.53



District Treasurer/Date _____

Nicollet SWCD Monthly Treasurer's Report

June 1, 2023

Jun 1, 23

	May 31, 23
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
10000 · Pioneer Bank	207,115.83
11000 · Pioneer Bank Grants	250,619.89
12000 · Pioneer Bank Savings	109,881.20
15000 · Pioneer Bank CD	150,000.00
Total Checking/Savings	717,616.92
Accounts Receivable	
11001 · Accounts Receivable	2,205.01
Total Accounts Receivable	2,205.01
Other Current Assets	
14000 · Prepaid Expenses	3,257.00
Total Other Current Assets	3,257.00
Total Current Assets	723,078.93
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LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
21000 · Unearned Revenue	
UR - Area VI Training	825.00
UR - Buffer Grant T&A	17,000.00
UR - BWSR 2021 Capacity	16,812.04
UR - BWSR 2022 Capacity	63,308.78
UR - BWSR 2023 Capacity	130,382.00
UR - Clean Water 2021	207,022.53
UR - Soil Health Cost Share	14,175.00
UR - Targeted Watershed	
UR- Targeted Water Comm Engagem	-41,907.61
UR- Targeted Water Communicatio	-15,964.55
UR- Targeted Water Ptensp Coord	-27,181.03
UR- Targeted Water T&A	-285,062.95
UR- Targeted Water Training	-1,172.72
UR - Prioritizing, Targeting	-12,844.84
UR - Targeted Water Equip, Trai	-3,672.23
UR -Targeted Watershed Admin	-5,063.00
UR - Targeted Watershed - Other	392,868.93
Total UR - Targeted Watershed	0.00
Total 21000 · Unearned Revenue	449,525.35
24000 · Payroll Liabilities	
24100 · PERA	124.28
25500 · Sales Tax Payable	905.00
Total 24000 · Payroll Liabilities	1,029.28
Total Other Current Liabilities	450,554.63
Total Current Liabilities	450,554.63
Total Liabilities	450,554.63
Equity	
32000 · Retained Earnings	264,590.71
Net Income	7,933.59
Total Equity	272,524.30
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	723,078.93

District Treasurer/Date

