

# Clearwater Soil & Water Conservation District

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## *BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

### *MEETING MINUTES*

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**Board Members Present:** Harlan Strandlien, Alroy Lewis, John Gunvalson, Jackie Ulrich and Paul Rydeen.

**SWCD Staff:** Lori Buell and Chester Powell.

**NRCS Staff:** Nate Brant

The meeting was called to order at 10:11 a.m. by Chair Ulrich at the Bagley USDA Service Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Agenda:** Ulrich called for additions or corrections to the agenda. No additions to the agenda were made. Rydeen made the motion to approve the agenda as is. Seconded by Strandlien. **Motion carried 5-0.**

**Minutes:** Minutes of the April meeting were reviewed by the board. Strandlien made a motion to approve the April minutes. Seconded by Rydeen. **Motion carried 5-0.**

### NRCS REPORT

Brant discussed the annual civil rights talk which each board member signed.

### PROGRAM TECHNICIAN REPORT

Via report as Prokosch was not present:

**AIS Program:** Prokosch is in communication with CLAA, the Clearwater County Commissioners and the DNR to work together to purchase and install a CD3 at the Clearwater  
Prokosch reported that the AIS inspector season started May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Lake Monitoring:** Prokosch had sent out the schedule to 6 volunteers.

**Education/Outreach:** Prokosch reported that she has been continuously working on the district website and facebook keeping the public updated on multiple programs.  
Prokosch helped with Watch 'em Grow programs.

**Trees:** Prokosch reported that 150 flowers had been sold and 93% of trees had been sold with pick up dates today, tomorrow and Saturday. Prokosch was packing tree orders.

## DISTRICT TECHNICIAN REPORT

Via report as Buesing was not present:

**Trees:** Buesing reported that pick up days were today, tomorrow and Saturday and was packing tree orders. Buesing had picked up the flowers on 4/27. Buesing had planted trees at Imle's on 5/17. Buesing had painted the green tree planter.

**Education Outreach:** Buesing had attended the Watch 'em Grow Programs on 5/11 and 5/12.

**Soil Health:** Buesing is helping McCollum with a pasture plan.

## WATER PLAN COORDINATOR/TECHNICIAN REPORT

**Water Planning:** Powell reported that he attended Clearwater River 1W1P meeting on 5/18. Powell reported 3 customers are signed up to use the Mississippi 1W1P's new no-till drill which would be arriving soon. Powell reported that he had attended a Wild Rice 1W1P meeting on 5/5.

**Trees:** Powell reported that he had planted trees at Imle's on 5/17. Powell reported that tree packing was underway. Powell noted maintenance performed on the tree planters.

**Soil Health:** Powell noted that 4 customers had or will be using the no-till drill and 1 customer used the sprayer. Powell updated the board about drill parts.

**Education Outreach:** Powell had attended the Watch 'em Grow Programs on 5/11 and 5/12.

## DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT

**Financial Reports:** Financial statements showing revenue and expenditures for the month of April were presented to the Board for review.

### ***Profit & Loss:***

**Income:** Buell reported that in the month of April the tree tubes and flags (lines 6 & 8), the trees sales (line 12) were up over \$3,000 from last month, the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter county appropriations (line 19) and the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter hours for 1W1P were billed (line 21).

**Expenses:** Buell reported that out of usual expenses, the rain barrel expenses which were reimbursed (line 56), the AIS vests from Skeeter Stitch were reimbursed (line 92), and the elite hydraulics for the drill which will eventually be reimbursed (line 112)

**Monthly Treasurer's Report:** Buell noted that for the month of April, outside normal transactions, there was the Houston Engineering 1W1P expenses (line 23), the AIS expense from Skeeter Stitch (line 24), the Red Lake Watershed District 1W1P expenses (line 25) and the Pennington SWCD 1W1P billing (line 26).

**Deposit Detail:** Buell noted that in the month of April there were deposits for: 1. Tree and flower sales 2. Tree and flower sales 3. Platbooks for the DNR 4. 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter appropriations 5. Tree and flower sales 6. Interest earned on checking accounts 7. Interest earned on saving accounts

**Balance Sheet:** Buell reported that at the end of April the Checking Account balance was \$270,494.30 and the Savings Account balance was \$104,159.45. Buell reported that Accounts Receivable was at \$6,621.68 which is mostly tree and platbook invoices. Buell reported that Deferred Revenue had a negative balance in 1W1P which had been 40% received and will be reflected on May's financials.

A motion to accept the April financial report was made by Lewis. Seconded by Ulrich. **Motion carried 5-0.**

**DISTRICT OPERATION-Board Action Items and Information:**

**Board Member Update:** The board discussed the leaving of member Ulrich.

**Manager's Meeting:** Buell noted there would be a meeting on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 a.m. was made by Rydeen. Seconded by Lewis. **Motion carried 5-0.**

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John Gunvalson, District Secretary

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Date

“What we are doing to the forests of the world is but a mirror reflection of what we are doing to ourselves and to one another.”

— *Chris Maser*

*Our mission is simple - to promote the wise use and improvement of our county resources, in order that future generations will inherit an economically viable county that has made wise choices in resource management.*