

**Carlton County Soil and Water Conservation District**  
**Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

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July 8, 2025 – Carlton SWCD Office, Carlton MN

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Board Chair Gary Peterson

**Roll call** was taken:

Board Members present:     Bob Fox  
   Gary Peterson  
   Barb Dahl  
   Roger Hurd

Staff present:                     Alyssa Bloss, Manager  
   Josh Multcher, Water Resource Technician

Guests present:

**Meeting Agenda:** M/S Dahl/Fox to approve amended agenda. Motion approved.

**Meeting Minutes:** June regular board meeting, M/S Fox/Hurd to approve. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Statement from Treasurer Fox

**SWCD Committee Reports**

**One Watershed One Plan Reports**

Nemadji River

St Louis River

Kettle River

Upper Mississippi – Grand Rapids

**Old Business**

Strategic Plan Update - new mission and vision statements

**New Business**

Carlton SWCD Project Policies - decision

M/S Dahl/Fox to nominate Bruce Heikes for Outstanding Conservationist. Motion carried.

M/S Dahl/Fox to approve Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) Conservation Practice Assistance Flat Rate Contracts will be used in combination with USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) contracts up to 100% of the cost estimate. Motion carried

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M/S Fox/Dahl to approve Cost share payments will match the current USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) rates for implementation of nonstructural practices not already covered under Carlton SWCD policy. Motion carried

M/S Peterson/Hurd to approve Carlton SWCD District Manager has the authorization to approve project agreements for time sensitive nonstructural best management practices (BMP's) before the monthly scheduled Carlton SWCD Board meeting. Examples of practices may include Cover Crops (340), Pasture and Hay Planting (512), Conservation Cover (327), and other non structural BMP's. The Carlton SWCD Board will be presented with the project at the next scheduled SWCD Board meeting and the Chair/Vice Chair will also sign off on the agreement. Motion carried

**Watershed Based Implementation Funding (WBIF) Cost-Share Projects**

**WBIF Cost-Share Projects**

- Contract: KUSC-STRMBK-1, KUSC Non.Struc-1 (Amendment 1)
- Practice: Shoreline Protection (580) and Critical Area Planting (342)
- Funding Source: Kettle & Upper St. Croix WBIF Biennium 1
- Amount: \$12,883.05
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M/S Fox/Hurd approve the contract KUSC-STRMBK-1, KUSC Non.Struc-1 (Amendment 1) in the amount of \$12,883.05

**Roll Call Vote**

Dahl - aye

Fox - aye

Hurd - aye

Peterson - aye

Motion carried

**SWCD Cost-Share Projects**

- Contract: BWSR 2024-10
- Practice: Pollinator Raingarden
- Funding Source: BWSR 2024 Cost Share
- Amount: \$500

M/S Hurd/Fox to approve Contract BWSR 2024-10 in the amount of \$500

**Roll Call Vote**

Dahl - aye

Fox - aye

Hurd - aye

Peterson - aye

Motion carried

- Contract: BWSR 2024-11, BWSR 2025-1
- Practice: Wetland Restoration (657)
- Funding Source: BWSR 2024, BWSR 2025, US Fish and Wildlife Service
- Amount: \$5,220.00

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M/S Fox/Dahl to approve Contract BWSR 2024-11, BWSR 2025-1 in the amount of \$5,220.00

Roll Call Vote

Dahl - aye

Fox - aye

Hurd - aye

Peterson - aye

Motion carried

NRCS Report

BWSR Report

Outside Organizations

BSALWMP

Laurentian RC&D

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**Adjourn**

M/S Peterson/Hurd to adjourn the regular meeting at 11:55. Motion carried.

**Next meeting** August 12th at 10:00 a.m. in the Carlton SWCD meeting room (808 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Carlton MN).

Date Sept. 12, 2025

Barbara Dahl

SWCD Board Secretary

Gary E. Peterson

SWCD Board Chair