

- **Minutes of the Pipestone Soil and Water Conservation District Meeting**
December 18th, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.
Pipestone County Government Center Southwest
1016 8th Ave SW
Pipestone, Minnesota

Board Members Present:

Bill Folger, Chairman
Brad Kruisselbrink, Vice-Chair
Cal Spronk, Secretary/Treasurer
Ken Christensen, Programs
Mike Fruechte, PR&I

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Melissa Rosendahl, Kyle Krier, Nicole Schwebach, Ayden Bonnett, Nathan Blankers, Luke Johnson

Chairman Folger called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

A. Approve Agenda

Fruechte made a motion to approve the December agenda as presented. Christensen seconded the motion. Affirmative: all. Oppose: none. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Spronk, seconded by Fruechte to approve the minutes of the November and November Special board meeting. Affirmative: all. Oppose: none. Motion carried.

C. Financial Report and Approval of Bills

Christensen made a motion to file the financial reports and approve the payment of bills. Kruisselbrink seconded the motion. Affirmative: all. Oppose: none. Motion carried.

New Business:

D. PFML Policy

a. Krier presented the MN Paid Leave Policy effective 1-1-2026. Spronk made a motion to approve the policy. Kruisselbrink seconded the motion. Affirmative: Fruechte, Spronk, Kruisselbrink, Folger. Oppose: Christensen. Motion carried.

E. RCPP Contracts

a. Schwebach presented 2 vouchers, contract #59-1-1, year one for \$6,103.80 and

contract #59-1-3, year one for \$13,062.00. Fruechte made a motion to approve the vouchers Spronk seconded the motion. Affirmative: all. Oppose: none. Motion carried.

b. Schwebach presented contracts. Contract #59-1-7 for \$15,799.80 to no-till 174.04 acres year 1 & 3 and 178.58 acres year 2. Contract #59-1-8 for \$21,551.40 to no-till 239.46 acres for 3 years. Contract #59-1-9 for \$43,102.80 to plant a multi species cover crop for 3 years. Contract #59-1-10 for \$28,800.00 to no-till 320 acres for 3 years. Contract #59-1-11 for \$28,800.00 to no-till 320 acres for 3 years. Contract #59-2-12 for \$28,800.00 to no-till 320 acres for 3 year. Spronk made a motion to approve the six contracts. Fruechte seconded the motion. Affirmative: all. Oppose: none. Motion carried.

F. Soil Health Practices Grant Program Grant Agreement

a. Krier presented the Soil Health Practices Grant Program Grant Agreement for \$120,000.00. Christensen made a motion to approve the grant agreement. Spronk seconded the motion. Affirmative: all. Oppose: none. Motion carried.

Reports:

County Commissioner

Johnson – At the truth and taxation meeting the levy was set at a 4.25% increase. Attended the AMC Conference.

Supervisor Reports:

Folger – Phone system will be changing.

Fruechte – Gave recap on the MASWCD Convention that was held in Bloomington, MN.

Spronk – Nothing.

Kruisselbrink – Attended the RCRCA meeting.

Christensen – Nothing.

NRCS Report: NRCS will be getting more funds from the Regenerative Ag Program.

Administrator Report: Discussed possible funding to upgrade irrigation equipment.

Adjournment:

There being no further business Chairman Folger declared the meeting adjourned at 10:52.

Cal Spronk, Secretary/Treasurer