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## Fillmore Soil & Water Conservation District

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### DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, August 15th 2024

5:00 PM

County Building

902 Houston Street Suite 3

Preston, MN 55965

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2452621566?pwd=LzA2K1BBNE1oOVpiK1NSWEZUaVdTz09>

Meeting ID:245 262 1566

Passcode: kA3W6s or 579131

**Members Present: Eunice Biel, Travis Willford, Jason Wetzel**

**Members Virtual: Tim Gossman, Kathy Tesmer: Others Present: Hunter Slifka, Dave Copeland, Duane Bakke, Theresa Baker Virtual: Riley Buley**

**Travis Willford Called meeting to order @ 5:02**

### *Agenda*

- I. Approval of Agenda: **Biel motioned to approve agenda. Seconded by Wetzel. Affirmative: Wetzel, Biel, Willford. Gossman. Opposed none motioned carried.**
- II. Treasurer's Report
  1. Approve July 2024 SWCD Treasurer's Report: **Wetzel motioned to approve July treasurers report, seconded by Biel. Affirmative: Willford, Wetzel, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none motioned carried**
  2. Approve Root River 1W1P Treasurer's Report: **Wetzel motioned to approve July treasurers report, seconded by Biel. Affirmative: Willford, Wetzel, Biel, Gossman. Opposed: none motioned carried**
  - 3.

2022-2023 - Root River 1W1P - C22-0480			
Payments	Terms	Received	Grant Terms
\$ 734,798.00	50%	05-26-2022	Executed 05-20-2022
\$ 587,838.00	40%		

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\$ 146,959.00	10%		Expires 12-31-2024
<b>Grant Total</b>	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Disbursements</b>	<b>Grant Cash Balance</b>
\$ 1,469,595.00	\$ 734,798.00	\$ 847,669.34	\$ -(112,871.34)

2024-2025 - Watershed Base Implementation ARP – C22-0143			
Payments	Terms	Received	Grant Terms
\$ 1,150,475.00	50%	04-23-2024	Executed 04-08-2024
\$ 920,380.00	40%		
\$ 230,095.00	10%		Expires 12-31-2026
<b>Grant Total</b>	<b>Deposits</b>	<b>Disbursements</b>	<b>Grant Cash Balance</b>
\$ 2,300,950.00	\$ 1,150,475.00	\$ 56,793.02	\$ 1,093,682.00

Tesmer joined virtually at 5:30

### III. Consent Agenda

1. Secretary's Report – July 2024 Board Meeting Minutes.
2. Approve continued use of SWCD AID resolution from 2023 in 2024 to direct how the district spends these funds. **Gossman Motioned to approve Secretaries report, seconded by Wetzel Affirmative: Wetzel, Biel, Tesmer, Gossman, Willford. Opposed: none motioned carried**

### IV. Reports

1. Supervisor Activity Report: **Willford: Nothing, Wetzel: Reg. board mtg, Forestry and Prairie walk: Biel: Reg. Brd Mtg, Climate Smart Mtg in Mabel. Gossman:Reg Brd. Mtg, Post Forestry/Prairie walk mtg. Tesmer: Reg Brd mtg.**
2. Staff Reports: **submitted: Board gave recognition to Slifka and West for work on Climate Smart Grant.**
3. Administrator's Report
  - a. Building update: **90% complete Move in date is Sept 9<sup>th</sup>.**
    - ii. North Side Seeding: **Seed is ordered, will schedule to get planted.**
    - iii. Rain Garden Discussion: **Discuss and implement later.**
  - a. Climate Smart Alliance Grant updates: **As of mtg. time 100 applicants have applied with Fillmore County.**
4. NRCS Report: **Bronson submitted via email.**
5. County Report: **Bakke reported a EAW would be submitted to county for the Dobelstein property.**

### V. Old Business

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1. EAW Resolution Brightdale Dam project: **Special meeting to be held 8-19-24 @ 12:00. No extended remarks from public from posting in Fillmore Journal.**

### **VI. New Business**

1. Discuss and consider fiscal, \$6,500, or moral support for a Farm Bill Biologist housed within the Fillmore USDA office. **Board discussed and determined more information is needed as to where our money would go.**

### **VII. Accounts Payable**

1. Approve July accounts payable: **Wetzel motioned to approve July accounts payable, seconded by Biel. Affirmative: Gossman, Willford, Beil, Tesmer, Wetzel. Opposed none motioned carried.**

Adjournment: **Wetzel motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Biel. Affirmative: Biel, Gossman, Wetzel, Tesmer. Opposed: none motioned carried.**  
**Meeting adjourned at 5:40**

### Upcoming Events and Meetings

Peterson Audit	August. 7, 2024
MN Grazing Lands Field Day	August.10, 2024
MN 4 R Field Day	August.15, 2024
Regular Board Meeting	August.15, 2024
Special Board Meeting	August.19, 2024
MN State Fair	August 22- Sept. 2 2024
RR 1W1P Policy Committee Meeting	August 26, 2024
Labor Day Office Closed	September. 2,2024

Respectfully submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Jason Wetzel