



Benton Soil & Water Conservation District

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It is the mission of the Benton Soil and Water Conservation District to protect and enhance Benton County's soil, water, and other natural resources; to nurture a conservation ethic by educating county residents on conservation and environmental issues.

**Benton SWCD
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday
July 26, 2023
8:00 A.M.**

**Chair, Chuck Rau
Vice Chair, Mike Winkelman
Secretary, Bernie Thole
Treasurer, Wade Bastian
Member, Joe Jordan**

Agenda (All times are estimates)

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| I. | Call meeting to order | 8:00 |
| II. | Pledge of Allegiance..... | 8:01 |
| III. | Approve Agenda | 8:02 |
| IV. | Minutes of the Previous Meeting | 8:03 |
| V. | Treasurers' Monthly Report | 8:04 |
| VI. | Payment of Bills..... A. Benton SWCD Bills – <u>action item</u> B. WCTSA Bills – <u>action item</u> | 8:10 |
| VII. | One Watershed One Plan | 8:15 |
| | A. Rum River Watershed Partnership 1) August 14 (upcoming), implementation planning committee meeting | |
| | B. Mississippi River St. Cloud 1W1P 1) Discuss legal arrangement options for the Implementation Phase – Michelle Meyer, Senior Assistant County Attorney – invited guest 2) July 5, steering committee meeting 3) July 6, policy committee meeting 4) July 18, technical advisory committee meeting 5) August 2 (upcoming), steering committee meeting 6) TBD, (upcoming), citizen advisory committee meeting 7) August 15 (upcoming), technical advisory committee meeting 8) September 7, (upcoming), policy committee meeting | |
| | C. Mississippi River Sartell 1W1P 1) August 25 (proposed), planning format and timeline discussion with Morrison SWCD | |
| VIII. | Conservation Plans | 9:00 |
| | A. FY 2021 Mayhew Lake / Elk River grant 1) FY2021 CWF-ERM16, Jon Henry – Contract Amendment Request – <u>action item</u> 2) FY2021 CWF-ERM16, Jon Henry – Final Payment Request – <u>action item</u> | |
| | B. FY 2023 Drinking Water Protection grant 1) FY2023 CWF-WS1, Tommy Udermann – New Contract – <u>action item</u> 2) FY2023 CWF-WS2, John Rahm – New Contract – <u>action item</u> 3) FY2023 CWF-WS3, Duane Didier – New Contract – <u>action item</u> | |

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| C. | FY 2022 Mayhew Lake / Elk River grant 1) FY2022-CWF-ERM3, Richard Robak – New Contract – <u>action item</u> |
| D. | FY 2022 MPCA SSTS & BWSR SSTS grants 1) FY2022-SSTS-05, Rita Johnson – New Contract – <u>action item</u> |
| IX. | Other Items9:30 |
| | A. Education and outreach update – <u>information item</u> B. MDA Agricultural BMP low interest loan program allocation increase – <u>information item</u> C. Execute the Landscape Stewardship Planning Agreement with Sherburne SWCD and local partners – <u>action item</u> D. Consider resolution 2023-01 Benton Soil and Water Conservation District 2023 Guidelines on the Use of SWCD Aid Payments – <u>action item</u> |
| X. | Progress Reports9:55 |
| | A. Staff reports B. District Manager report C. NRCS report D. BWSR report E. U of M Extension Service |
| XI. | Information Items10:30 |
| | A. Supervisor / Manager Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) June 29, Benton SWCD 75-year anniversary open house 2) July 6, Mississippi River St. Cloud 1W1P policy committee meeting 3) July 13, We Are Water Agricultural Field Day – Glen and Brian Kaschmitter Farm B. Calendar of Future Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To be determined, Mississippi River St. Cloud 1W1P Citizen Advisory Committee meeting 2) August 16, Minnesota Association of SWCDs board meeting 3) August 22, Draft 2024 budget presentation to Benton County 4) August 30 (5th Wednesday), Benton SWCD board meeting 5) September 8, Annual Tour of Conservation Practices |
| XII. | Supervisor Open Forum |
| XIII. | Adjourn10:50 |