



# BLUE EARTH SOIL & WATER

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Approved Minutes of November 6, 2025

**Supervisors Present:** Chairman: John Rollings, Treasurer: John Shanahan, Secretary: Carol Krosch

**Supervisors Absent:** Vice Chairman: Jacob Quade, PR&I: Bernie Paulson

**Staff Present:** District Manager: Jerad Bach, Administrative Specialist: Jillian Kuduk,  
Conservation Specialist: Jake Fritz

**Guests:** County Commissioner: Kevin Paap

**Proceedings:** Meeting called to order by Chairman Rollings at 4:00 p.m.

**Pledge:** All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

## HOUSEKEEPING

**Agenda:** Agenda was reviewed. Shanahan moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Krosch.

**Motion adopted.**

**Minutes:** Minutes were reviewed. Krosch moved to approve October 9, 2025, minutes, seconded by Shanahan. **Motion adopted.**

## **Treasurer's Report:** *(see attached)*

Balance on hand	\$ 1,445,704.82
Receipts	\$ 412,413.76
Disbursements	<u>\$ 44,547.99</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,813,570.59</b>

**Kuduk** presented the October Treasurer's Report and requested to pay the Supervisor per diems, which were read for each Supervisor. Shanahan moved to file the October Treasurer's Report subject to audit and pay Supervisor per diems as read, seconded by Krosch. **Motion adopted.**

## OPEN COMMUNICATIONS

### **Guest Speakers:**

**County Commissioner Paap** presented the Blue Earth County Commissioner report. The planning process continues for the County Road 9 bridge. The Highway Department is still looking to move into the new shop by December.

**District Manager Bach** presented the District Manager report *(see attached)*.

## COST SHARE:

### **Le Sueur WBIF Contract:**

**Fritz** presented a contract to be proposed to Waseca SWCD for payment approval through the Le Sueur WBIF grant. The contract provides cost-share funding of \$25,550.00 for the construction of 13 alternative side inlets and 1 ASIRO in CD 16.

**LS-24-07-33:**

**Fritz** shared the proposed amendment for contract LS-24-07-33 that will be presented to the Waseca SWCD board next week to amend the contract expiration date from 12/1/2025 to 12/31/2026 to allow additional time to complete the project.

**2FY24:**

**Fritz** is requesting to amend the contract expiration date from 12/1/2025 to 12/31/2025 to allow additional time to complete the 2FY24 project. **Krosch** moved to approve the amendment of the contract install day for 2FY24 to 12/31/2025, seconded by **Shanahan**. **Motion adopted.**

**1FY24:**

**Fritz** is requesting to amend the contract expiration date from 12/1/2025 to 12/31/2025 to allow additional time to complete the 1FY24 project. **Shanahan** moved to approve the amendment of the contract install day for 1FY24 to 12/31/2025, seconded by **Krosch**. **Motion adopted.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**NACD Dues:**

**Kuduk** presented the NACD contribution request and gave prior year payment figures. After some discussion, **Krosch** moved to contribute \$1,000 for the 2026 NACD contribution request, seconded by **Shanahan**. **Motion adopted.**

**FY26/27 Program and Operations Grant:**

**Bach** presented the FY26/27 SWCD Programs and Operations grant agreement. **Krosch** moved to approve the FY26/27 SWCD Programs and Operations grant agreement and authorize **Bach** to sign the agreement electronically on behalf of the board, seconded by **Shanahan**. **Motion adopted.**

**FY24/25 Conservation Contracts Grant Extension:**

**Bach** presented the FY24/25 Conservation Contracts grant extension request. **Krosch** moved to approve the FY24/25 Conservation Contracts grant extension request and authorize **Bach** to sign the amended grant agreement electronically on behalf of the board, seconded by **Shanahan**. **Motion adopted.**

**MASWCD Convention:**

**Kuduk** gave an update on the upcoming 2025 MASWCD Annual Convention that will take place on December 1-3, 2025, at the DoubleTree Hotel in Bloomington and took final registrations from Supervisors.

**SUPERVISOR REPORTS**

**Shanahan** – Commented on the cost share project built on his family farm and that he’s looking forward to the upcoming MASWCD convention.

**Krosch** – Commented on a KEYC story she saw for a local teacher awarded for her conservation efforts in teaching.

**Rollings** – No report.

**Adjourn:** There being no further business, Chairman Rollings adjourned the meeting.

- Meeting adjourned 4:50 p.m.
- Next regular meeting will be held December 11, 2025
- Minutes submitted by Jillian Kuduk, Administrative Specialist

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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