

Renville Soil & Water Conservation District  
 1008 West Lincoln, Olivia MN 56277  
 Phone: 320-523-1559



Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes	Date: April 11, 2024
	Time: 7:30 am-9:30 am
	Location: Renville SWCD meeting room, 1008 W Lincoln Ave Olivia, MN

The Renville County Soil & Water Conservation District promotes sustainable use of water and soil resources through innovative and mutually beneficial conservation activities with local stakeholders.

Attended by: Smith, Kokesch, Nere, Koenig, Commissioner Hamre  
 Staff: Hatlewick, Richter, Winzenburg, Dawn

Agenda Items	Purpose	Presenter
1. Call to Order 7:30am		Chair
2. Approval of Agenda <b>Koenig, Nere MSC</b>	DECISION	Chair
3. Citizen Comment Period (2 minutes per person)	INFO	Chair
4. Consent Agenda March Meeting Minutes, March treasurer's reports, and bills paid	DECISION <b>Kokesch, Koenig MSC</b>	Chair and Administrator
5. Old Business a) District 3 b) Strategic Planning Summary approve and revisit in Five years 2029 <b>Kokesch, Koenig MSC</b>	UPDATE/ DISCUSSION/ DECISION	Chair and Administrator
6. Personnel Committee a) Winzenburg Probation end, 3% increase for her good performance review, effective 4/11/24 <b>Kokesch, Koenig MSC</b> b) 2024 employee performance method Survey for Administrator, then summary.	DISCUSSION/ DECISION	Personnel Committee
7. New Business a) Area VI MASCWD Dues <b>Nere, Koenig MSC</b> b) SFC JPCA- Motion to have Delegate Chair Smith sign on the Board's behalf, baring the county attorney approval <b>Koenig, Nere MSC</b> c) Chippewa and Kandiyohi SWCD Soil Health collaboration delegate to Chair and Administrator to enter into this agreement <b>Nere, Koenig MSC</b> d) 2024 Drill Rental Program, reviewed and updated rates for 2024 <b>Nere, Koenig MSC</b>	DECISION	Administrator and Resource Conservationist
8. Program Updates– <b>8:15 am, all employees.</b> Team Building questions: If you could master any skill, what would it be and why? a) Programs and cost share CMRWP Contract 24-08 delegate Administrator Hatlewick to obligate and approve contracts up \$75,000 <b>Kokesch, Koenig MSC</b> -Customer tracking, discussion was had b) SWCD Staff Reports.	DISCUSSION/ DECISION	Chair with Staff support

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<p>Winzenburg, Presented at Farmward on Soil Health Carbon impact. Working a lot with the SWCD podcast          Dawn, Earth Day seed packet display for 10 communities in the county. Working on website update          Richter, CD59 permit process complete, submitted a water grant app for Beaver Creek watershed          Hatlewick, April 12<sup>th</sup> meeting planning          c) NRCS Report, Jeff Kjorness          d) Board reports:          Kokesch- suggested a shed cleanup date          Koenig-no report          Nere- attended MASWCD legislative days          Smith- no report          Commissioner Hamre – no report</p>		
<p>9. Other</p>	<p>DISCUSSION/ DECISION</p>	<p>Chair, all board, with staff support</p>
<p>10. Motion to adjourn 9:05am <b>Koenig, Kokesch MSC</b></p>	<p>DECISION</p>	

Upcoming Dates to Remember

- Spring into Soil Health Field Event: April 12, 2024
- Area VI SWCD Chairs Meeting, New Ulm, April 26, 2024
- County Road Tour May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024
- Next regular Board Meeting is June 13, 2024 8:00am county office building room 117

**Chair Signature:**

*Philip Smith*

**Date:** 6-13-24