

FREEBORN COUNTY
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA

Thursday, September 14th at **1:00 pm**
1400 W Main Street, Albert Lea, MN 56007
Conference Room



Zoom meeting info below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82333229745?pwd=sNUvYKoxGrqmpiC6l2YVRJnmupaCgk.1> Passcode 167140

1. Call the meeting to order, introduce any guests that may be present.
2. Act on minutes of August 10th meeting – **Action item**
3. Treasurer's report and payment of bills – **Action item**
4. Cost Share & Grant Items and/or Information
 - a. Consider a resolution (#2023-02) to adopt the LeSueur River Watershed Management Plan – **Action Item**
 - b. Consider a motion to approve the LeSueur River Watershed Collaboration Joint Powers Agreement – **Action Item**
 - c. Consider a motion to approve the LeSueur River Watershed Partnership By-Laws – **Action Item**
 - d. Consider authorizing Manager Lageson to approve and sign and/or pay out contracts in case of not being able to form a quorum in October or discuss another time of day to meet – **Action Item**
 - e. FYI: Lageson put in for a grant extension for the 21 Buffer Law grant and it was approved with a one-year extension until 12/31/2024.
 - f. FYI: Lageson also accepted and signed on behalf of the board a grant agreement for 23 CRP Incentives in the Shell Rock/Winnebago Watershed for \$16,000, and the 2024 Buffer Law grant for \$25,000.
 - g. **NEW REQUESTS for Cost-Share:**
 - i. Project Type: Prairie Strip
Funding Source: C20-2412 Cedar-Wapsipinicon WBIF
Contract Number: WBIF-CW-FREE-21-16; amount requested: \$4,596.00 – **Action Item**
 - ii. Project Type: Well Sealing
Funding Source: C20-2412 Cedar-Wapsipinicon WBIF
Contract Number: WBIF-CW-FREE-21-17; amount requested: \$1,000.00 – **Action Item**
 - iii. Project Type: Cover Crop
Funding Source: C22-5721 Cedar-Wapsipinicon WBIF
Contract Number: WBIF-CW-FREE-22-03; amount requested: \$4,176.00 – **Action Item**
5. NRCS Agency Report - Kurer
6. BWSR Report – Sackett-Eberhart
7. Reports from Supervisors attending meetings during this past month.
8. Manager Report – previously emailed
 - a. Request authorization to attend Joint SWCD Manager/Watershed Administrators meeting in Baxter, MN on Sept. 27 – 28th.
 - b. Discussion with BWSR and County Attorney regarding us being able to provide an electronic signatures option to our cost share contracts.
9. Staff reports – previously emailed
10. New Truck Purchase/Red Truck Replacement – **Action Item**
11. Tree Give Away Drawing from our fair booth.
12. Additional Agenda items....
 - a. FYI: PFI Field Day-Tracy Skaar-Hayward, MN. Monday, September 18th: 10am-noon.
 - b. Personnel discussion.
13. Adjournment, next meeting Thursday, October 12th at 1:30 p.m?????

Remote meeting info

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