

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Woodbury County  
Soil & Water Conservation District  
September 18, 2018  
USDA Service Center, 204 First Street, Sgt. Bluff, Iowa

Chairman, Kelly Ingenthron called the regular meeting of the Woodbury County Soil and Water Conservation District to order at 8:30 am in the USDA Service Center Conference Room. Those present were:

Commissioners

Kelly Ingenthron  
Lane Tabke  
Jason Yockey  
Charlie Bromander

Staff and Others

Neil Stockfleth, Assistant Commissioner  
Christine Evans, District Conservationist  
Ben Hoelker, Watershed Technician  
Kathy Miller, Conservation Assistant  
Bridget Durst, Source Water Community Facilitator  
\*John Wilcox, Guest  
\*\*Erica Wagner, Office Administrator, Iowa Farm Bureau Movable  
Luis A Cruz-Arroyo, Assistant State Conservationist, Field Office

Ingenthron appointed Miller recorder of the meeting.

**(18-132)** Motion made by Tabke second by Yockey to adopt the agenda as amended. Carried unanimously.

**(18-133)** Motion by Bromander second by Tabke to approve the August 21, 2018 minutes. Carried unanimously.

**(18-134)** Motion by Bromander, second by Tabke to approve the August Treasurer's Report. Carried unanimously.

John & Roger Wilcox; Wilcox Farms Inc. were awarded the 2018 Region 1 – Conservation Farmers of the Year that was submitted by the Woodbury Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD). Kelly Ingenthron, Chairman, Woodbury SWCD, with Erica Wagner, Farm Bureau presented the award to John Wilcox. The award, co-sponsored by the Iowa Department of Ag and Land Stewardship (IDALS), and the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF) since 1952, honors an Iowa farmer who has a proven track record of excellence in soil conservation and water quality improvements and is committed to long-term land and water protection.

\*Wilcox left at this time.

\*\*Wagner left at this time.

**(18-135)** Motion by Bromander, second by Yockey to approve payment of the following bills. Carried unanimously.

**Pioneer Bank – Little Sioux**

EFT	Ben Hoelker	Payroll (8/3/18 – 8/16/18)	\$ 983.92
EFT	Direct Deposit Fee	Payroll expense	\$ 1.00
EFT	IPERS	August contribution	\$ 421.56
EFT	Ben Hoelker	Payroll (8/17/18 – 8/30/18)	\$ 983.92
EFT	Direct Deposit Fee	Payroll expense	\$ 1.00
EFT	IRS	Monthly contribution, August	\$ 662.60

**Pioneer Bank – District Revolving**

2233	Conservation Districts of Iowa	Dues	\$ 850.00
2234	Woodbury SWCD	Petty cash fund, replenish	\$ 45.00
1M Beginning Balance			\$ 2,000.00
Exp: CDI, dues, \$850.00			
1M Ending Balance			\$ 1,150.00
Petty Cash Fund Beginning Balance			\$ 5.00
Inc: Replenish Petty cash fund, \$45.00			
Petty Cash Fund Ending Balance			\$ 50.00

**(18-136)** Motion by Tabke, second by Bromander to approve the use of IFIP (State Cost Share) funds for management practices up to 30% of the initial allocation. Carried unanimously. This will follow State guidelines which include availability to Producers who have never received IFIP funding for these practices and can only be used one time per producer.

**(18-137)** Motion by Bromander, second by Yockey to approve the following IFIP applications. Carried unanimously.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Cost Share</u>
#73297	Mark Boyle	160.0 Ac Cover Crops	\$8,000.00	\$2,400.00

**(18-138)** Motion by Bromander, second by Yockey to approve the following IFIP amendment. Carried unanimously.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Reason</u>
#65932	Seth Steinhoff	638	Extend completion date to 12/30/2018
#65935	Seth Steinhoff	638	Extend completion date to 12/30/2018
#66994	Paul Hegstrom	Terrace Rebuild	Cancelled
#66991	Joseph A Dunn	638	Cancelled

Annual Plan of Work

Reviewed items contained in the Annual Plan of Work for the months of September, October, & November.

Old Business

Commissioner elections – the County Auditor confirmed that Kelly Ingenthron and Gary Walters are running for re-election and there are no other candidates.

Bridget Durst – Source Water Community Facilitator for CDI and Iowa DNR presented information for source water protection. Her mission is to help water supply systems, communities, and residents in the surrounding area develop awareness of Source Water and what influences its quality, organize community members to fill the roles in a Source Water Team, and provide connections to resources that provide funding and technical support to the Source Water Team and the communities they live in to carry out a Source Water Protection Plan. Bridget Durst has asked for a letter of commitment from the Woodbury SWCD. This has been tabled until the October's commissioner's meeting to give the commissioner's time to review.

**(18-139)** Motion by Yockey, second by Tabke to approve the following Conservation Plans. Carried unanimously.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Eric G Brenden	CRP – New
Nancy A Kerr Rev Trust	CRP – New
Ullrich Farm Corp	CRP – New
Fitzpatrick Family Ltd Ptn	CRP – Name change
Harrison C McNaughton Liv Trust	CRP – Name change
Bradley S Martin – 2 contracts	CRP – Name change
John, Jerry, James & Jeffrey Moss, Jeannie Krueger, Janet Thomas, Jane Jamison – 5 contracts	CRP – Name change
Mildred C Wright Family LLC	CRP Re-enrollment
Calvin E Tyer	New Conservation plan
Weaver Brothers Farms LLC	New Conservation plan
Sandra Fixsel Living Trust/Ronald J Meister	Updated Conservation plan
Stan Haugen	Updated Conservation plan
K & S Krieg Land Co LLC	Updated Conservation plan
Robert Arnold/Chris Holst	Updated Conservation plan

**(18-140)** Motion by Yockey, second by Tabke to approve the following 2018 Managed Haying. Carried unanimously.

Name  
Brian & Ronette Schultzen

**(18-141)** Motion by Bromander, second by Yockey to approve the following EQIP. Tabke abstained. Carried unanimously.

Name  
Grant W Streck  
Roger P Cope  
Mark Baldwin  
Dennis Drenkhahn  
Richard & Rita Gerking Joint Rev Liv Trust  
Matt Topf  
Lane Tabke  
Charles Clark  
Wilcox Farms Inc.

**(18-142)** Motion by Bromander, second by Yockey to approve the following CSP. Carried unanimously.

Name  
Matt Topf

NRCS Report

Received approval for the State tech position. (780-hour).

Natasha Klocke, Pathways student's last day is 9/14/2018. She will be working out of the Rockwell City office.

Continuing to work on EQIP contracts, CRP status reviews, and updating conservation plans.

Scheduling a locally led meeting for Thursday, October 25, 2018.

Watershed Report

Hoelker provided the commissioners with a spreadsheet showing site inspections for the past month.

Total sites visited year to date is 292.

Cut trees and treated stumps at four sites.

Spoke with three Nuisance Trappers including DNR about trapping. Commissioner's decided to look at case by case when needing trapping done.

Passed pesticide applicator test.

**Meetings and Upcoming Events**

The next commissioner meeting will be at 8:30 AM, Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at the office in Sergeant Bluff.

The commissioner's accepted Kathy Miller, Conservation Assistant's resignation.

**(18-143)** Motion by Yockey, second by Bromander to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 AM. Carried unanimously.

Date Approved 10/16/18

  
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Kelly Ingenthron, Chairperson

  
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Lane Tabke, Secretary