



**RICE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING
AGENDA**

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 - 8:00 am

**Vision Statement: “To have clean water, pure air, and healthy soil, now
and for future generations”**

Mission Statement: *“To assist land users in the enhancement, management and conservation of our soil, water, and natural resources, by means of educational, financial, and technical assistance necessary for productive agriculture, safe drinking water, and healthy wildlife habitats.”*

I. MINUTES – July

II. JULY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS and JULY BILLS PAYABLE - action

III. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Project encumbrance report - information

IV. CONSENT AGENDA: (payment approval)

- A. Candace Retka 24-RC-S-008, native shoreline planting payment - \$500.00 – action
- B. Melvin Korbel 25-RC-002 (Lower MN E) well decommissioning - \$2,000.00 – action
- C. Richard Palla CS-23-03, grassed waterway - \$4,891.50 - action
- D.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Dew Drop Drill-consider sale - action
- B. Dew Drop Drill-consider purchase of new machine – action
- C. Stewardship Summit: SWCD Governance & Leadership Essentials – reminder
September 10 & 11, 2025, St. Cloud MN – registration deadline August 22nd
- D. Kuball Dairy 23-RC-006, amended amount from \$4,522.88 to \$4,600.12 – action
- E. Kuball Dairy 23-RC-006, payment \$4,600.12 – action
- F. Mark and Terry Rydberg Trust 25-RC-006, WASCOB - \$61,997.76 – action
- G. Chris Donkers 25-RC-007, grassed waterway -\$17,217.69 - action
- H. Soil health practices grant agreement – action
- I. Open a money market account with Edward Jones investments – action
- J. LCCMR Regional Soil Health Program - discussion

VI. NRCS REPORT

VII. FSA REPORT presented by Taylor Carlson

VIII. DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT

IX. SUPERVISOR’S REPORTS

X. STAFF REPORTS:

XI. OTHER/CORRESPONDENCE:

A. Watershed Plan Updates; Cannon, Zumbro and Lower MN

XII. UPCOMING EVENTS: keep checking our website for upcoming events.

August 14 [Kernza Field Day](#) by the Minnesota Department of Ag, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm in Hastings.

August 21-22 [Adapting Grazing and Fencing Workshop](#) by the University of Minnesota Extension, by Dover and Stewartville.

August 29 Deadline to apply for the [Soil Health Financial Assistance Grant](#).

September 5 [Soil Health Field Day on Tom Cotter Farm](#) by the Minnesota Soil Health Coalition, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

September 6 [Food Health Field Day on Cotter Farms](#) by Minnesota Soil Health Coalition 11:00 am- 3: 30 pm.

September 13 [All Things Oats & Oat Mill Tour](#) by Practical Farmers of Iowa, 4:00 - 6:00 pm in Albert Lea

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