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## **Minutes of the April 16, 2020 Board meeting for the Carver Soil & Water Conservation District conducted via video teleconference due to COVID-19 concerns.**

### **Board Members Present:**

Chair, Mark Zabel (present via video teleconference)  
Vice Chair, Stanley Wendland (present via video teleconference)  
Secretary/Treasurer, Jeffrey Sons (present via video teleconference)  
Member, Robert Burandt (present on conference call)  
Member, Marcus Zbinden (present via video teleconference)

### **SWCD Staff Present:**

District Manager, Mike Wanous (present in SWCD office)  
Administrative & Finance Specialist, Felicia Brockoff (present in SWCD office)

### **Other Attendees:**

Carver County Planning & Water Management, Paul Moline (present via video teleconference)  
NRCS Le Sueur County District Conservationist, Steve Breaker (present via video teleconference)

### **1. Call to Order**

Chair Zabel called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

### **2. Roll Call**

Mike Wanous requested roll call. Supervisors Burandt, Sons, Wendland, Zabel, and Zbinden were all present.

### **3. Agenda review and adoption**

Burandt moved, Wendland seconded to approve the April 16, 2020 Agenda as printed. On roll call vote Burandt, Sons, Wendland, Zabel, Zbinden all voted aye. Motion carried.

### **4. Consent Agenda.**

Zbinden moved, Sons seconded, to approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Approval of February 20, 2020 meeting Minutes
- b. Acceptance of the February Treasurer's Report
- c. Acceptance of the March Treasurer's Report
- d. Approve new job description for Landscape Restoration Specialist
- e. Approval of 4 new policies: Mobile Device Reimbursement, Outdoor Apparel Allowance, Field Staff Safe work practices, and Health Incentive
- f. Meuleners Farm Corp AgBMP Loan for solar panels.
- g. Approval of 5 pollinator cost-share applications:

- 1) Brueggemeier - \$853.30 Cost-Share assistance
- 2) Buechel - \$1,000 Cost-Share assistance
- 3) VonBerge - \$1,000 Cost-Share assistance
- 4) Bluff Creek Trail (City of Chanhassen) - \$5,000 Cost-Share assistance
- 5) Overton - \$1,000 Cost-Share assistance

On roll call vote Burandt, Sons, Wendland, Zabel, Zbinden all voted aye. Motion carried.

**5. Carver County Report**

Paul Moline reported staff is adjusting to working from home. He stated the WMO committee meeting will be held in April, most likely through WebEx. Staff is still doing some field work including monitoring, carp removal in Benton Lake, and a goldfish study on Big Woods Lake in Chaska. He stated construction is still going on, so permits are still needed. There are no official details on the 2021 budget yet, but the indication from Dave Frischmon, Carver County Financial Services Director, was to start preparing for rough times. The County Board has not made any decision on budgets yet.

**6. NRCS Report**

Steve Braeker reported on both the CRP and EQIP workloads for Carver County. He has been working with Carole from the FSA office, and producers getting applications scored and ranked before the deadlines. Sons asked about the SHIP program notice that was sent out. Steve mentioned the payment rates on marginal cropland will be site specific for the SHIP program. There was a good response to the SHIP program in Le Sueur County, however payment rates on the marginal soils were low. Zabel asked Steve about the local work group meeting, which has not yet been scheduled for 2020. He asked Steve to send information to the Board on what was done last year. Steve will send the blank template, as well as what Le Sueur County has come up with for 2020. Steve reported the ranking system is different in 2020 than it was in 2019. Mike suggested conducting the local work group meeting after the June board meeting, hoping that by June COVID-19 restrictions will be lessened and we can possibly meet in person.

**7. SWCD Monthly Report**

Wendland asked if Chip was conducting inspections on the Highway 101 project. Mike stated Chip has been working on the project and has also met with the Carver County Public Works staff on site.

**8. Board of Supervisors Announcements**

Mike stated we will wait and see what the Governor says about an in-person meeting in May. Zabel stated WebEx is great when you have a presentation so you can see the screen but thought that Skype and Zoom work a better for this kind of meeting. Zabel suggested looking into a different mode for the meeting in May.

**9. Adjourn**

Zbinden moved, Sons seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 a.m. On roll call vote Burandt, Sons, Wendland, Zabel, Zbinden all voted aye. Motion carried.

**Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 8:00 AM**  
**Tentative Location: Public Works Headquarters, Conference Room 3**  
**11360 Highway 212, Cologne, MN 55322**

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary/Treasurer

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Carver Soil & Water Conservation District**  
**Treasurer's Report**  
As of April 30, 2020

Date	Num	Name	Memo	Debit	Credit	Balance
<b>1000 Checking-Security Bank</b>						16,670.19
04/01/2020	3155	Cardmember Services	1335		89.43	16,580.76
04/01/2020			Deposit	330.00		16,910.76
04/06/2020			Funds Transfer-244784188	25,000.00		41,910.76
04/06/2020			Deposit-RPBCWD, Trees	6,712.78		48,623.54
04/08/2020	3156	HSA Bank	#W226002 March Fees		12.50	48,611.04
04/14/2020		QuickBooks Payroll Service	Created by Payroll Service on 03/26/2020		14,345.52	34,265.52
04/15/2020	DD0237	Brockoff, Felicia L.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,265.52
04/15/2020	DD0238	Datres, Benjamin R.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,265.52
04/15/2020	DD0239	Finke, Aaron P.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,265.52
04/15/2020	DD0240	Hentges, Pernel J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,265.52
04/15/2020	DD0241	Meiller, Terry J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,265.52
04/15/2020	DD0242	Ristow, Seth E.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,265.52
04/15/2020	DD0243	Wanous, Richard M.	Direct Deposit	0.00		34,265.52
04/15/2020	3157	Carver County	Employee Flex April 2020		208.50	34,057.02
04/15/2020	EFT-151	HSA Bank	41-1385530		1,026.95	33,030.07
04/15/2020	EFT-155	Minnesota Revenue	7694248		932.00	32,098.07
04/15/2020	EFT-152	MSRS	Employee Elective		90.00	32,008.07
04/15/2020	EFT-153	PERA	9103-00		3,018.33	28,989.74
04/15/2020	EFT-154	United States Treasury	41-1385530		4,906.64	24,083.10
04/15/2020	3158	Carver Co.	New Computers for staff		7,566.04	16,517.06
04/15/2020	3159	Culligan Bottled Water	114-09979618-6		37.26	16,479.80
04/15/2020	3160	Carver Co.	Fuel for Vehicles		218.03	16,261.77
04/16/2020			Deposit - Drill & Trees	360.31		16,622.08
04/24/2020	3161	Carver County	April Insurance Premium		8,505.57	8,116.51
04/24/2020			Funds Transfer-247673836	40,000.00		48,116.51
04/24/2020	3162	Bosch's Countryview Nurs...	2020 Trees		1,559.50	46,557.01
04/24/2020	3163	Minnesota Native Landsc...	Invoice #23159 Seed Packets		795.00	45,762.01
04/24/2020			Deposit-Trees	440.00		46,202.01
04/29/2020		QuickBooks Payroll Service	Created by Payroll Service on 04/20/2020		14,445.19	31,756.82
04/29/2020			Deposit-Trees	309.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	DD0244	Brockoff, Felicia L.	Direct Deposit	0.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	DD0245	Datres, Benjamin R.	Direct Deposit	0.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	DD0246	Finke, Aaron P.	Direct Deposit	0.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	DD0247	Hentges, Pernel J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	DD0248	Meiller, Terry J.	Direct Deposit	0.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	DD0249	Ristow, Seth E.	Direct Deposit	0.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	DD0250	Wanous, Richard M.	Direct Deposit	0.00		32,065.82
04/30/2020	EFT-156	HSA Bank	41-1385530		1,026.95	31,038.87
04/30/2020	EFT-157	Minnesota Revenue	7694248		943.00	30,095.87
04/30/2020	EFT-158	MSRS	Employee Elective		90.00	30,005.87
04/30/2020	EFT-159	PERA	9103-00		3,042.07	26,963.80
04/30/2020	EFT-160	United States Treasury	41-1385530		4,967.56	21,996.24
04/30/2020			Interest	1.39		21,997.63
Total 1000 Checking-Security Bank				73,153.48	67,826.04	21,997.63
<b>1100 Savings-Security Bank</b>						258,636.55
04/03/2020			Deposit-Q2 Allocation	124,311.50		382,948.05
04/06/2020			Funds Transfer-244784188		25,000.00	357,948.05
04/10/2020			Deposit-Capacity & Buffer Funds	142,548.00		500,496.05
04/24/2020			Funds Transfer-247673836		40,000.00	460,496.05
04/30/2020			Interest	146.06		460,642.11
Total 1100 Savings-Security Bank				267,005.56	65,000.00	460,642.11
<b>1150 Savings Citizens NYA</b>						78,708.06
04/30/2020			Interest	9.71		78,717.77
Total 1150 Savings Citizens NYA				9.71	0.00	78,717.77
<b>1200 Investments CD's</b>						460,522.98
<b>12.MCB **487 (2.50%-05/14/2020)</b>						101,777.64
Total 12.MCB **487 (2.50%-05/14/2020)						101,777.64
<b>12.MCB **903 (2.25%-04/26/21)</b>						156,369.01
04/25/2020	2020-17			869.76		157,238.77
Total 12.MCB **903 (2.25%-04/26/21)				869.76	0.00	157,238.77

Carver Soil & Water Conservation District

Treasurer's Report

As of April 30, 2020

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Balance</u>
		<b>12.SB&amp;T **055 (2.35%-05/23/20)</b>				202,376.33
		Total 12.SB&T **055 (2.35%-05/23/20)				202,376.33
		Total 1200 Investments CD's		869.76	0.00	461,392.74
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>341,038.51</b>	<b>132,826.04</b>	<b>1,022,750.25</b>

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## Treasurer's Monthly Report Program Summary - April 2020

<u>Funds</u>	Cash Balance <u>3/31/2020</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Disbursements</u>	Cash Balance <u>4/30/2020</u>
BWSR Buffer Implementation	\$12,512.10	\$20,000.00		\$32,512.10
BWSR District Capacity	\$207,141.05	\$122,548.00	\$8,364.90	\$321,324.15
BWSR DRAP Funds	\$11,264.62			\$11,264.62
BWSR Conservation Delivery	\$0.00			\$0.00
BWSR State Cost Share	\$50,245.51			\$50,245.51
County Ditch 6 BMP Grant	\$18,980.79			\$18,980.79
County	\$0.00	\$124,311.50	\$49,183.38	\$75,128.12
District	\$460,183.71	\$9,179.01	\$10,277.76	\$459,084.96
District Escrow	\$54,210.00			\$54,210.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$814,537.78</b>	<b>\$276,038.51</b>	<b>\$67,826.04</b>	<b>\$1,022,750.25</b>
<u>Use of Cash</u>				
Certificates of Deposit	\$460,522.98	\$869.76		\$461,392.74
Checking - Security Bank	\$16,670.19	\$73,153.48	\$67,826.04	\$21,997.63
Savings - Security Bank	\$258,636.55	\$267,005.56	\$65,000.00	\$460,642.11
Savings - Citizens NYA	\$78,708.06	\$9.71		\$78,717.77
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$814,537.78</b>	<b>\$341,038.51</b>	<b>\$132,826.04</b>	<b>\$1,022,750.25</b>

Carver SWCD Board Treasurer

Date

**Carver Soil & Water Conservation District**  
**Balance Sheet**  
As of April 30, 2020

	<b>Apr 30, 20</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
<b>Checking/Savings</b>	
1000 Checking-Security Bank	21,997.63
1100 Savings-Security Bank	460,642.11
1150 Savings Citizens NYA	78,717.77
1200 Investments CD's	
12.MCB **487 (2.50%-05/10/2020)	101,777.64
12.SB&T **055 (2.35%-05/23/20)	202,376.33
12.MCB **903 (2.25%-04/26/21)	157,238.77
<b>Total 1200 Investments CD's</b>	461,392.74
<b>Total Checking/Savings</b>	1,022,750.25
<b>Accounts Receivable</b>	
1300 Accounts Receivable	2,045.84
<b>Total Accounts Receivable</b>	2,045.84
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	1,024,796.09
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>1,024,796.09</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<b>Current Liabilities</b>	
<b>Other Current Liabilities</b>	
2300 Sales Tax Payable	739.16
2400 Unearned-Deferred Revenue	
2402 Buffer Implementation	32,512.10
2403 CD 6 BMP Grant	18,980.79
2405 Cost-Share	50,245.51
2406 District Capacity Funds	321,324.15
2407 DRAP C/S	11,264.62
<b>Total 2400 Unearned-Deferred Revenue</b>	434,327.17
<b>Total Other Current Liabilities</b>	435,066.33
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	435,066.33
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	435,066.33
<b>Equity</b>	
3000 FUND BALANCE	547,524.11
Net Income	42,205.65
<b>Total Equity</b>	589,729.76
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>1,024,796.09</b>

**Carver Soil & Water Conservation District**  
**Budget vs. Actual**  
 January through April 2020

	<u>Jan - Apr 20</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Bu...</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
<b>Income</b>				
<b>4000 Intergovernmental County</b>	248,623.00	524,075.00	-275,452.00	47.4%
<b>4100 Intergovernmental Local</b>	5,412.67	35,000.00	-29,587.33	15.5%
<b>4200 Intergovernmental State</b>	56,497.19	343,500.00	-287,002.81	16.4%
<b>4300 Charges for Services</b>	12,280.39	18,000.00	-5,719.61	68.2%
<b>4400 Interest Earnings</b>	300.14	5,000.00	-4,699.86	6.0%
<b>4500 Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	1,181.50	5,000.00	-3,818.50	23.6%
<b>Total Income</b>	<u>324,294.89</u>	<u>930,575.00</u>	<u>-606,280.11</u>	<u>34.8%</u>
<b>Expense</b>				
<b>5000 District Operations</b>				
<b>5100 Personnel Services</b>	206,108.07	609,380.00	-403,271.93	33.8%
<b>5200 Other Services &amp; Charges</b>	22,331.64	57,500.00	-35,168.36	38.8%
<b>5300 Supplies - Office &amp; Field</b>	78.32	3,500.00	-3,421.68	2.2%
<b>5400 Capital Outlay</b>	7,566.04	40,000.00	-32,433.96	18.9%
<b>Total 5000 District Operations</b>	<u>236,084.07</u>	<u>710,380.00</u>	<u>-474,295.93</u>	<u>33.2%</u>
<b>5500 Project Expenses</b>	<u>46,005.17</u>	<u>220,195.00</u>	<u>-174,189.83</u>	<u>20.9%</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>282,089.24</u>	<u>930,575.00</u>	<u>-648,485.76</u>	<u>30.3%</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u><b>42,205.65</b></u>	<u><b>0.00</b></u>	<u><b>42,205.65</b></u>	<u><b>100.0%</b></u>



## REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

### Consent Agenda

Meeting Date: May 21, 2020

Prepared by: Mike Wanous

#### **PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED:**

Authorize the Chair to sign a letter of support for the South Fork Crow River 1W1P planning grant application.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Water management entities within the South Fork Crow River watershed are applying for a grant to write a One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) in accordance with BWSR guidance. This letter of support provides documentation that the Carver SWCD is supportive of those efforts. Because of our location in the 7-county metro area, we are also participating the metro watershed-based implementation funding process, but also plan to support and collaborate with the out-state group on the South Fork Crow 1W1P.

If the grant application is successful, the Carver SWCD can decide how much participation we wish to have a later date.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Authorize the Chair to sign the letter of support.

#### **EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACT:**

None

#### **Supporting Documents:**

Letter of Support (next page)

#### **Previous Board Action:**

None



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May 21, 2020

McLeod County SWCD  
2385 Hennepin Ave. North  
Glencoe, MN 55336

To McLeod SWCD and the Buffalo Creek Watershed District,

On behalf of the Carver County Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD), I would like to express our support for the South Fork Crow 1W1P Planning Grant application.

The Carver SWCD finds merit in coordinating with neighboring entities in a One Watershed planning effort and in seeking a Planning Grant for the South Fork Crow watershed. The Carver SWCD is participating in the Metro Watershed Based Implementation Funding process for the South Fork Crow and may be open to collaborative efforts in the upper portion of the South Fork Crow watershed.

If the planning grant application is successful, the Carver SWCD plans to participate with the planning efforts.

Please contact me if you have any questions about our support for the application.

Sincerely,

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Mark Zabel  
Chair, Carver SWCD Board



# REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

## Consent Agenda

Meeting Date: May 21, 2020

Prepared by: Mike Wanous/Seth Ristow

### **PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED:**

Authorized approval of 2 pollinator cost-share applications.

### **SUMMARY:**

Seth has recently received applications for the Pollinator cost-share program:

- Lisa Van Der Pol – Up to \$1,000 Cost-Share assistance
- Susan Knopp – Up to \$1,000 Cost-Share assistance

Because the applications were just received this week, Seth has not been able to put all the details together in time for the board packet, but is seeking board approval at this meeting instead of waiting until the June Board meeting.

Fact sheets were not available at the time the packet was sent out, the fact sheets will be sent out early next week.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends approval of the pollinator cost-share applications.

### **EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACT:**

Project funding for the cost-share will come from the District Capacity – Pollinator funding pool. Around \$11,000 of cost-share funding is available in the 2020 District Capacity grant.

### **Supporting Documents:**

Fact sheets will be sent out when completed

### **Previous Board Action:**

None

### **Mike Wanous – District Manager**

- Participate in virtual meetings for the Watershed Based Implementation Funding in the metro area – South Fork Crow River, Mississippi River West, Minnesota River North. Review BWSR guidance on the process for WBIF.
- Watertown Wetland Bank – Assist Carver County and the City of Watertown on getting answers for future access to stormwater ponds for maintenance activities after the wetland banking easements are complete.
- Provide technical assistance on several drainage issues with neighboring landowners concerning private ditch and private tile maintenance.
- Concerns with high water and outlet issues on Swede Lake, discussions with landowners, DNR, and WMO staff on the issue.
- Try to stay updated on State and County guidance concerning the COVID-19 pandemic. Participate in several webinars and virtual meetings concerning COVID-19.
- Reporting for grants - quarterly grant reports for the Engineering/Technical Assistance (ETA) grant, quarterly report for the Farm Bill Assistance grant, filled out a statement of interest for continuing the Farm Bill Assistance/CREP grant for future fiscal years.

### **Felicia Brockoff – Administrative & Finance Specialist**

- Accounting: Payroll and liabilities completed. Cashed in CD at MidCountry Bank to Security for a better rate. Drill billings sent.
- Administrative: Attended and completed Minutes for April Board meeting. Reviewed timesheets for employees, updated leave amounts. May Agenda packets put together and posted on website and mailed to Supervisors. Added newly approved policies into Operational Handbook.
- Trees: Continued to take tree orders up to the handout. Mailed information to all the customers with pick-up instructions. Many phone calls and emails about available trees. Posted notice on Facebook about tree pick up.
- Grant reports: pulled reports for Mike for all grant reporting that was due.

### **Chip Hentges – Conservation Technician**

All construction sites are still operating and in full swing. Completing Stormwater Inspection's on project sites. Have been in communication with Waconia, Chanhassen, and Chaska City staff and completing inspections on problem sites. Attending weekly meetings (outdoors) and have done joint inspections with MnDOT staff. Work has been routine and has not been hampered by the shutdown. All has been good. Have mastered Zoom meetings.

- Pre-Construction Meetings:
  - Shepherd of the Hill – Chaska Housing complex at a church
  - Cologne 2020 Street and Utility project
  - Quality Tec Expansion – Chaska
  - Stone Werks - Watertown
- Projects Started:
  - USS Hancock Solar – project has started -continuous
  - TH 101 Road – De-watering and muck excavation taking place – **MAJOR DEWATERING INCIDENT HAPPENED – Working with MPCA (more to come)**

- TH41 Lyman Blvd (18) – Work has started - **Weekly meetings on site and minor issues that have been resolved**
- Quality Tec site has started.
- City of Cologne 2020 Street and Utility project has started.
- Stone Werks – Watertown
- Lake Waconia Regional Park
- Lake Waconia West Shores
- 44/212 project continuation of last year – more on the 44 side.
- PLAN REVEIWS:
  - Interlaken 8<sup>th</sup> – Waconia Housing Development- on going
  - Westbrook Church – approved and waiting for pre-construction meeting
  - Winkler Crossing 3<sup>rd</sup> – Cologne Housing Development- on going
  - Lundquist Pit – on going, met on site to discuss tracking issues and how to come up with a solution. – **This has been completed and approved. Mueller’s installed a grate system that the trucks need to drive over prior to leaving the pit.**
- OTHERS:
  - Chaska Bluffs – topsoil and de-compacting
  - Flex Steel – topsoil and de-compacting
  - Spring Meadows – plan review and walk through on site to review possible issues with Co and Developer staff.
  - Coordinating with Chanhassen city staff on inspections of projects.

#### **Terry Meiller – District Technician**

- CD6-CWF: Pre-Construction meeting with Wichenhauser for side inlet project. Construction Inspections and As-built survey completed for embankments. Construction staking for Pipe install/construction inspection/As-built survey.
- WMO Assistance: Lake Gage readings/H2O elevations obtained for multiple lakes and sent to Tim Sundby and DNR. Crow River cross section survey at Watertown landing.
- CRP/CREP: CRP burn plan writing and burn permits obtained for landowners. Misc. phone calls/Technical assistance to landowners with CRP questions on re-enroll options, CREP payment follow up, etc.
- Camden Streambank: Pre-construction meeting, construction inspection for rip rap repair work.
- Misc: Great Plains Drill deliveries. Neubauer wetland issues and site visit (Follow up with Landowner and USFWS). Tree program – put orders together and handouts.

#### **Aaron Finke – District Technician**

- WCA-Complaint investigation in Watertown Twsp.
  - o Documented and collected survey shots
- WCA-Complaint investigation over tiling project in Watertown Twsp.
  - o Documented work
  - o Aerial review and discussion with TEP
- WCA-Complaint investigation in Benton Twsp.
  - o Met with landowner and documented.
  - o Started aerial review process, sent to LGU
- WCA-Continued assistance with potential violation

- Photo and survey documentation
- WCA-TEP meeting for US 212 road project in Dahlgren Twsp
  - Boundary approval
- WCA-TEP meeting for regional Trail along TH 5 near the arboretum
- WCA-Met with landowner in Camden Twsp regarding drainage issues with neighbor
- Wetland restoration-assisted USFWS with aerial review for basins and tile on new property
- Clean Water Funds-Surveyed as built construction for side inlet project on CD 6
- County assistance-Surveyed lake gauge readings around Carver County
- Trees-Packaged and handed out tree orders to landowners for annual tree sale

#### **Seth Ristow – Resource Conservation Technician**

- Conducted Plan review for the WMO (5 projects)
- Picked seed mixes for Tim’s Research project on reuse and vegetation
- Updated Chaska West Planting Plan again
- Conducted site visits for our pollinator program and conducted general admin
- Reviewed and consulted on raingarden plan for lake Minnewashta HOA
- Conducted final review and made funding decisions on Minnesota Stormwater Research Proposals
- Worked with the city of Waconia on lakeshore issue on Old Beach Rd.
- Conducted multiple site visits to review multiple erosion issues on Bent Creek
- Worked on cost share project proposals for WMO cost share
- Designed planting plans and reviewed project proposals for RPBCWD

#### **Ben Datres – Farm Bill Technician**

- CREP Projects:
  - Pat Beier- Just waiting on state cost-share
  - Cheri Johnson- Repair work and seeding needed
  - Cheri Johnson #2- Waiting for contractor’s schedule
  - Mike Lynch – Working on the cost-share/reimbursement side of things.
  - Jim Dvorak- CRP and RIM boundary changes, and 1031
  - Burns – Application submitted and accepted, working on wetland bank boundary
  - Jeff Hart – working on potential app.
- Buffers: starting to implement the plan to reach 100% compliance
- CREP outreach and payment estimates for potential sites.
- CREP site visits for potential applications
- WMO assistance – West Chaska Creek streambank stabilization project. Water gauge readings.
- BWSR online trainings – wetland plants, CREP, etc.
- Assisting landowners with other program questions.