



Monthly Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, August 20, 2026 – 8:00 AM

11360 Highway 212, Suite 6, Cologne, MN | Phone: (952) 466-5230
Meeting will be held in conference room 2

1. **Meeting called to order by Chair Zabel**
2. **Public Comments** – Limited to 5 Minutes
3. **Agenda review and adoption**
4. **Agency Reports**
 - a. Carver County Report
 - b. FSA Report included – FSA staff unable to attend
 - c. NRCS Report

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5. **Consent Agenda Action Items**
 - a. Approval of July 16, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
 - b. Acceptance of the July Treasurer's Report

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6. **Regular Agenda Items**
 - a. Outstanding conservationist discussion.
 - b. MASWCD will be electing a President & VP in 2026, informational memo is enclosed.
 - c. Peterson Company sent the Management representation letter that needs to be signed by the Chair and the Manager.
 - d. RCPP grant action requests: 1) approve three contracts for the batching period; 2) approve the three soil health cost-share contracts totaling \$70,512.50.
 - e. The IRS has increased the standard mileage rate to 76¢; discuss changes to mileage policy.
 - f. The MASWCD Area 4 Fall meeting will be held on September 22.
 - g. Carver SWCD's 80th year of Conservation – continue discussion from earlier this year.

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7. **SWCD Board Committees & SWCD Staff Monthly Report**
 - a. Personnel Committee (Zabel; Zbinden) –
 - b. Metro Conservation Districts Committee (Wittner; Lynch alt.) – The next meeting is 8/26 @ 4:00 PM.
 - c. Education & Outreach Committee (Sons, Lynch) –
 - d. Budget Committee (Sons, Zbinden) –
 - e. WMO Advisory Committee (Zbinden; Wittner alt.) – The next meeting is August 25, 2026.
 - f. South Fork Crow River 1W1P (Zabel; Lynch alt.) –
 - g. SWCD Staff Monthly Progress Report

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8. **Board of Supervisors announcements**
 - a. Upcoming meetings/events:
 - September 7 – Labor Day, SWCD office closed
 - September 17 – SWCD Board meeting, 8:00 AM
 - September 22 – Area 4 Fall meeting, 9:00 AM Cabela's, Rogers
9. **Adjourn**