

**Board of Supervisors:**

- # 2 – Norma Heggernes, Chair (Term. 12.2026)
- # 1 – Kevin Belkholm, Vice-Chair (Term. 12.2024)
- # 5 – Kim Johnson, Treasurer (Term. 12.2024)
- # 3 – Jon Sanford (Term. 12.2024)
- # 4 – Gene Carda (Term. 12.2026)

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- Mary Poelman  
Watershed Coordinator
- Emily Larsen  
Conservation Technician
- Nick Foss  
Forester

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**KANABEC SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING**

**Kanabec SWCD Board Room**  
**2008 Mahogany Street, Suite 3**  
**Mora, MN 55051**

**Remote Google Meet joining info:**  
**Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/qaj-aafx-ruq>**  
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**October 9, 2024**

**Open Meeting Agenda [DRAFT]**

1. **Call to Order** **2:00PM**
  - a. Roll call: Norma Heggernes, Kevin Belkholm, Jon Sanford, Gene Carda, Kim Johnson
  - b. Others Present: Jaren Peplinski, Jerah Mattson, Mary Poelman, Emily Larsen, Nick Foss, Shannon Bodle, Stephanie Paulsen  
\*Remote attendee
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
3. **Review and Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**
4. **Review and Approval of Minutes (Action Item)**
  - a. [Regular Board Meeting Minutes](#) – 09/18/2024 [Exhibit A]
5. **Guest Presentation (None scheduled)**
6. **Reports of Partners**
  - a. NRCS (Brian Steffen or Shannon Bodle)
  - b. BWSR (Zach Guttormson)
  - c. Technical Service Area III, BWSR (Matias Valero)
  - d. Kanabec County (Ryan Carda)
  - e. Minnesota PCA (Eric Alms)
  - f. Minnesota DNR (No primary point of contact listed)
  - g. MnDOT (No primary point of contact listed)
7. **Public Comment (None scheduled)**
8. **Financial Report (Action Item)**
  - a. September 2024 [Treasurer's Report and Financial Report](#) [Exhibit B]
9. **Action Items [Exhibit C]**
  - a. Consider approval of Resolution Updating Billable Rates
  - b. Consider approval of updated rates for 2025 Health Care Coverage Payments
  - c. Vote on Supervisor voting or delegating votes to Staff for MASWCD 2024 Resolutions - ballots due Nov. 1
10. **Other Reports**
  - a. Subcommittee reports
  - b. Funding opportunities (located on next page)
    - i. *Are we set up with SAM.gov or Grants.gov?*
11. **Other Business**
  - a. 75th Anniversary (1950-2025) - September 21, 2025
  - b. Planning for hosting 2025 Area III Supervisors Fall Business Meeting
  - c. Discussion regarding joint Personnel and Finance Committee
  - d. Soil Health Conservationist position hiring
  - e. Low-Income Septic Grant form
12. **Consent Agenda Action Items**

Adjourn

**4:30PM**

The next Regular Monthly Meeting is Wednesday, November 20, 2:00 PM

## Meeting and Event Announcements

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- \* = tabling / promotional opportunity

## Current Funding Opportunities

- **Solid Waste Management Grants Program (USDA)**
  - <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/water-environmental-programs/solid-waste-management-grants>
  - **Application period: October 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024**
  - This program reduces or eliminates pollution of water resources by providing funding for organizations that provide technical assistance or training to improve the planning and management of solid waste sites.
  - What may the funds be used for?
    - Evaluate current landfill conditions to identify threats to water resources.
    - Provide technical assistance or training to enhance the operation and maintenance of active landfills.
    - Provide technical assistance or training to help communities reduce the amount of solid waste coming into a landfill.
    - Provide technical assistance or training to prepare for closure and future use of a landfill site.
  - No match requirement.
- **FY 25 Planning Grants for SWC Resilience**
  - <https://www.pca.state.mn.us/grants-and-loans/planning-grants-for-stormwater-wastewater-and-community-resilience>
  - **Applications are due no later than Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 4 p.m.**
  - Planning grants for stormwater, wastewater, and community resilience
  - The MPCA is soliciting project proposals to distribute \$750,000 for climate planning projects to communities across Minnesota. This funding provides an opportunity for these communities to assess vulnerabilities and begin planning for the effects of Minnesota's changing climate in three areas:
    - How to increase resilience to stormwater and reduce localized flood risk.
    - How to improve the resilience of wastewater systems.
    - How to reduce human health effects and adapt community services, ordinances, and public spaces to the changing climate.

## Applications Submitted in FY23/FY24

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## Annual or Ongoing Funding to Consider Applying For

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