

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Okabena-Ocheda Watershed District Board of Managers
March 4, 2026

The regular meeting of the Okabena-Ocheda Watershed District Board of Managers was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Present were managers Casey Ingenthron, Tom Ahlberg, Ben Krohn, and Jeff Rogers. Also present were Bob Demuth, Jr, County Commissioner; Julie Buntjer, Globe editor, Paul Langseth, SWCD Supervisor, Al Langseth; Landowner, and Nathan Schuck, Administrator.

The February meeting minutes were discussed. Rogers moved to approve the minutes. Krohn seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Ahlberg, Krohn, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report and bills payable were discussed. Schuck reported that there was an insurance premium for Dan taken out that shouldn't have. Reimbursement was made was mistake was found. Rogers moved to approve the February treasurers' report, pay the bills, and transfer money as needed from the money market account to checking. Ingenthron seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Rogers, Ahlberg, and Krohn. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The agreement for services between the Nobles Soil and Water Conservation District and the Okabena Ocheda Watershed District was discussed. Rogers moved to approve the contract with payment of \$5,000.00 per year. Krohn seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Rogers, Ahlberg, and Krohn. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

Mapping of Curly-leaf pondweed was discussed. Discussion of hiring mapping services, purchasing a drone for mapping, and taking chemical action was had. Schuck was instructed to look at MPARS permit for treatment and drones that could map submerged aquatic species.

The ISD518 school district would like to have a meeting with Watershed District board members and School District board members when a concept has been approved by DNR and BWSR.

A tentative Clean Water Partnership Board Meeting is scheduled for March 18th at 4pm at City Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

2026 Annual Plan was presented with changes as requested. Ingenthron moved to approve the plan with changes made. Rogers seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Ahlberg, Krohn, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

PERMITS

City of Worthington – Centennial Park Lift Station Project. Ingenthron moved to approve the permit. Rogers seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Ahlberg, Krohn, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting will be held at 4:00 on Wednesday April 1, 2026, in the Nobles County Public Works building meeting room. Rogers moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Krohn seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Rogers, Ahlberg, and Krohn. Opposed: none. Motion carried.