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###### Le Sueur County Soil & Water Conservation District

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*Le Center, MN 56057*

Minutes from January 11, 2018 regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Traxler’s Hunting Preserve, Le Center, MN.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Struck at 10:00 a.m.

Members present: Chairman, Jim Struck

 Vice-Chairman, Greg Entinger

 Secretary, Earle Traxler

 Treasurer, Cletus Gregor

 PR&I, Glendon Braun

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz

 District Technician, Joe Jirik

 Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel

 Farm Bill Tech, Jack Bushman

 Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

 District Conservationist, Steve Breaker

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Secretary’s report was read from December 12, 2017.

Treasurer’s report for November 31, 2017 was read. Motion by Traxler, second by Entinger to approve.

Affirmative: Struck, Entinger, Traxler, Gregor, Braun

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Treasurer’s report from December 31, 2017 was read. Motion by Braun, second by Traxler to approve.

Affirmative: Struck, Entinger, Traxler, Gregor, Braun

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Election of Officers took place. Motion by Gregor, second by Entinger to keep all positions the same for the calendar year 2018.

Affirmative: Struck, Entinger, Traxler, Gregor, Braun

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The board discussed having the secretary’s report sent out with the meeting reminder for the February meeting.

First National Bank of Le Center will be the official bank of the Le Sueur SWCD for the calendar year 2018.

Motion by Braun, second by Entinger to renew the lease to the Clubhouse for 2018 in the amount of $700/month.

Affirmative: Struck, Entinger, Traxler, Gregor, Braun

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Le Sueur SWCD will be the host of a cover crop meeting in March, Gabe Brown will be the guest speaker.

Motion by Traxler, second by Gregor to sign the German/Jefferson grant agreement in the amount of $387,100.

Affirmative: Struck, Entinger, Traxler, Gregor, Braun

Opposed: None

Motion carried

A drainage grant in the amount of $51,500 was discussed.

Legislative Day at the Capitol will be held March 12-13, 2018.

The mileage rate for 2018 is $.545/mile.

1W1P update was given. 50-60% of the input process is complete. Le Sueur County is a high priority in the watershed.

The Meger building purchase agreement has been signed.

Steve gave the NRCS report. Fall construction was all completed except for 1 project which will be done in spring 2018. Cover crops and erosion control structures will be the main focus of EQIP. CRP is on hold for processing and 1USDA was discussed.

Arnie Krueger, 2017 Outstanding Conservationist, was given a road sign for his conservation achievements and honored with lunch with the board.

Vouchers were filled out.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

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Date District Secretary