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

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*Le Center, MN 56057*

Minutes from August 9, 2022 regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur Co. SWCD building, Le Center, MN.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Struck at 9:00 am.

Members present: Chairman, Jim Struck

 Vice-Chairman, Greg Entinger

 Secretary, Earle Traxler

 Treasurer, Cletus Gregor

 PR&I, Glendon Braun

Others present: Le Sueur County Administrator, Joe Martin

 Le Sueur County Commissioner, Lance Wetzel

 District Manager, Mike Schultz

 District Technician, Joe Jirik

 Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel

 Resource Technician, Karl Schmidtke

 District Conservationist, Steve Breaker

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary’s report from July 12, 2022 were read and approved after questions from Gregor regarding County Ditch 54 and clarifying the SWCD GPS went to Le Sueur County GIS, not the TSA.

Treasurer’s report for July 2022 was read. Motion by Entinger, second by Traxler to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Mike gave a recap of the 1W1P Lower Minnesota East kick-off event held at Cedar Lake Farms. There will be a policy committee meeting on August 18, 2022.

The board received a copy of the Le Sueur Co. SWCD Strategic Plan. The plan lists short and long term goals for the SWCD and also strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats that were identified during a session that the board and staff attended.

The SWCD will be meeting with the Le Sueur County Commissioners on Monday, August 15, 2022 to discuss the SWCD’s 2023 budget. Cletus will attend along with Mike and Sue.

Mike and Sue are working at determining employee benefit costs for 2023. A meeting with a representative for dental and life insurance will be on Tuesday, August 16, 2022.

Further will no longer be the company handling the employee’s HSA/FSA accounts. WEX will be the new company beginning September 1, 2022.

Mike and Nik discussed the buffer letters that were sent out by certified mail to noncompliant landowners.

Steve gave the NRCS report. He discussed CRP workload and fall construction that Geoff and Colin are working on. CRP has opened up haying and grazing in Le Sueur County.

Joe Martin discussed redetermination of benefits on the county ditches and upcoming budget meetings with each department in the county.

Vouchers were reviewed and filled out.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.

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Date District Secretary