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

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*Le Center, MN 56057*

Minutes from September 13, 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: District Manager, Mike Schultz

 District Conservationist, Steve Breaker

 District Technician, Joe Jirik

 Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

 Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Lance Wetzel

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary’s report from August 9, 2022 regular meeting was read and approved.

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

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Mike updated the board on the 2023 allocation requested from the county. The requested allocation was lowered by cutting out project development.

The Polaris ATV was sold for $4250.00.

Mike received a quote for a 2023 Outlander 570XT ATV in the amount of $11,240.24. Motion by Traxler, second by Gregor to purchase.
Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Mike asked the board if the asking price for the 18’ trailer can be lowered due to no interest. Motion by Entinger, second by Traxler to lower $500. The new asking price is now $5000.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Upcoming meetings:

SCTSA – 9/20

Leadership Training – 9/20 through 9/22

Cannon JPB – 10/5

Lower MN East 1W1P – 10/20

BWSR Academy – 10/25 through 10/27

Area 6 – 11/15

State Convention – 12/13 through 14

Motion by Gregor, second by Entinger to encumber $705.00 for Helen Morsching well sealing cost-share contract #CAP-2020-07.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Entinger, second by Traxler to encumber $5995.25 for Mike Macho grade stabilization structure cost-share contract #CAP-2021-1.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Entinger, second by Traxler to encumber $12,477.70 for Mike Macho grade stabilization structure cost-share contract #2-21.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Gregor to encumber $2850.00 for Steve Stangler sediment basin cost-share contract #22-LS-003.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Gregor to encumber $1425.00 for Steve Stangler sediment basin cost-share contract #CAP-2021-02.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Gregor to encumber $3465.00 for Jim Struck cover crop cost-share contract #CC-WASH-1.

Affirmative: Entinger, Gregor, Traxler, Braun

Abstained: Struck

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Traxler, Entinger and Mike met prior to today’s board meeting to discuss employee benefits. Mike explained to the board the costs associated with insurance benefits. All SWCD employees must be covered with each benefit due to the small size of staff. The following will be costs per year for the SWCD.

Dental Insurance $6430.00

Life Insurance $1620.00

Long Term Disability $2366.00

Single & Family Health Insurance $68,277.00

Motion by Entinger, second by Gregor to approve employee benefit costs for 2023 and allow Mike to sign SCSC renewal on behalf of the SWCD.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Sue and Karl interviewed Luke & Alice Retka for the Outstanding Conservationist article. Mike talked about ditch buffer compliance.

Steve gave an NRCS report. Projects are coming along, waiting on materials and they are busy completing site reviews for CRP.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

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Date District Secretary