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

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*Le Center, MN 56057*

Minutes from November 12, 2019 regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur SWCD building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Chairman, Jim Struck

 Secretary, Earle Traxler

 Treasurer, Cletus Gregor

 PR&I, Glendon Braun

Members absent: Vice-Chairman, Greg Entinger

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz

 Ditch Inspector, Nik Kadel

 District Technician, Joe Jirik

 Farm Bill Technician, Karl Schmidtke

 NRCS Team Lead, Chris Schmidt

 District Conservationist, Steve Breaker

 Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary’s report was read and approved.

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

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The board received information for attending the MASWCD convention on December 8-10, 2019 at the DoubleTree by Hilton. A leadership summit will be held on Sunday of the convention that may be of interest.

The NACD convention was discussed. The convention is being held in Las Vegas, February 8-12, 2020, and Mike questioned the board about attending.

Staff informed the board about BWSR Academy they attended.

Motion by Gregor, second by Braun to pay Le Sueur County Highway Department cost-share contract #JG-2018-1 in the amount of $20,587.50 for a grade stabilization structure and rock chutes.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion to Gregor, second by Traxler to pay Leroy Kolander state cost-share contract #1-18 in the amount of $3975.00 for a terrace.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Gregor to encumber $9090.00 for Le Sueur County contract #BCS-8-2018 for an alternative side inlet.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

A non-structural land management practice implementation plan was discussed. Motion by Gregor, second by Traxler to approve the 2020 plan.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Steve and Chris gave the NRCS report. They discussed certifying cover crops, erosion control projects with more needing to be done depending on the weather, inspection of gullies, EQIP, CSP payments, CREP applications, Karl completing CRP inspections, new general CRP signup training, helping out in other counties due to lack of employees and a new conservation planning program.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

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Date District Secretary