



Le Sueur County Soil & Water Conservation District

Le Sueur County SWCD
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Minutes from January 14, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Lake Washington County Park and Campground, Kasota, MN.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Entinger at 9:30 am.

Members present: Chairman, Greg Entinger
Vice-Chairman, Earle Traxler
Secretary, Pete Thelemann
PR&I, Jim Struck

New Member: Ken Mader (elected November 2024 election replacing Cletus Gregor)

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
Board Conservationist, Shane Bugeja
Resource Conservationist, Karl Schmidtke
Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel
District Technician, Joe Jirik
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
NRCS Team Lead, Chris Schmidt
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Dave Preisler
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Steve Rohlfing

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The election of officers took place.

Motion by Thelemann to nominate Entinger as Chairman, second by Struck

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann to nominate Struck as Vice-Chairman, second by Entinger.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck to nominate Traxler as Secretary, second by Thelemann.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck to nominate Thelemann as Treasurer, second by Traxler.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann to nominate Mader as PR&I, second by Struck.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck to add Pete Thelemann to all financial accounts and remove Cletus Gregor, second by Traxler.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Commissioner Preisler gave an update to the board on the final levy being set for the county, 3.9%. He discussed the new county commissioner, Dennis Tietz that replaced Dave Gliszinski, gave updates on the flood study and comp plan and congratulated the SWCD on their work with Environmental Services receiving a grant.

Commissioner Rohlfing discussed the comp plan updating, Region 9, recycling to change in Le Sueur County, road work and putting a protective barrier up for the front desk at the courthouse.

Shane updated the board on grants, noncompetitive soil health dollars coming to Minnesota and well sealing available in the City of Le Sueur.

The Secretary's report for December 10, 2024, was read and approved.

The Treasurer's report for December 31, 2024, was read. Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Chris Schmidt informed the board that Steve Breaker retired at the end of 2024. Pheasants Forever hired a farm bill biologist, Eleanor Berg, she will be in the Le Center field office. He discussed position updates, the Faribault NRCS office moved to its new location and the EQIP.

Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to cancel the February SWCD board meeting due to scheduling conflicts.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Theleman, second by Mader to designate First National Bank of Le Center as the SWCD's official bank for 2025 and the Le Sueur County News as the official newspaper.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Mike gave the board an update on the remodeling process. FSA and NRCS offices are complete, painting and carpeting will begin in the SWCD area. Final prices will be higher than original bids due to additional work and unforeseen items.

The a/c unit in the FSA ADP room failed and a new one is needed to control the temperature. A bid was received from Stasney Renovations for \$9500.00. Other contractors were asked to bid but they did not give a bid due to the type of unit. Motion by Theleman, second by Traxler to have Stasney Renovations replace the unit and pay \$9500.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The board originally discussed taking out a loan at First National Bank for the remodeling and would like the staff to begin the process. Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to start the paperwork for a loan in the amount of \$150,000.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Theleman, second by Traxler to approve and make a partial payment to Don Quiram Cannon cost-share contract #24-LS-006 in the amount of \$6174.75.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Joe informed the board of the Soil Health Workshop on February 26, 2025 at the American Legion in Le Center.

Mike discussed the Ditch Specialist contract with Le Sueur County. The contract is for staff time and the dollars come \$54,656.00 from county ditches and \$54,656.00 from buffer enforcement. Motion by Theleman, second by Traxler to approve the contract.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

1W1P

Cannon – February 5 policy meeting, well sealing funds, shoreline trainings
LoMRE – policy meeting, begin spending dollars, CRP incentive
Middle – updates to come

Joe and Kourtney gave a presentation on the Patterson project.

Legislative Days will be March 4 & 5, 2025.

The board presented the Lake Washington Association with a 2024 Outstanding Conservationist sign and took them to lunch after this meeting.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

3-11, 25

Date

Zoie Troper

District Secretary



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Minutes from March 11, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur County SWCD building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Chairman, Greg Entinger
Vice-Chairman, Jim Struck
Secretary, Earle Traxler
PR&I, Ken Mader

Members absent: Treasurer, Pete Theleemann

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
District Technician, Joe Jirik
Resource Technician, Karl Schmidtke
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel
Soil Con Tech, Kim Scheffler
Farm Bill Biologist, Eleanor Berg
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Steve Rohlfing

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes from January 14, 2025, regular board meeting were read and approved.

Treasurers report for February 2025 was read. Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Commissioner Rohlfing discussed Lake Henry and Scotch Lake outlets and the land use plan the county is working on.

Kim gave the NRCS report. She introduced Eleanor Berg, the PF Farm Bill Biologist. Eleanor discussed her duties. Kim mentioned EQIP contracts are on hold.

Joe gave the board a summary of the soil health meeting held on February 26. Speakers received good comments; 62 individuals attended.

Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to encumber \$28,346.25 for Cletus Gregor **Cannon cost-share** contract #25-LS-001 for a grade stabilization structure.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to sign the TSA Soil Health Mentorship Agreement for Greg Entinger.

Affirmative: Struck, Traxler, Mader

Abstained: Entinger

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Mike gave the board an update on the office remodel. Most projects are complete. New bids will be sought for the roof. The board would like insulation checked in the roof also. A new stove is needed in the breakroom. Motion by Struck, second by Entinger to purchase from Wise Furniture.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to authorize a \$150,000.00 – 10 year loan from First National Bank of Le Center for the office remodel and roof repair. Pete Thelemann and Mike Schultz are authorized to sign the loan.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Mike gave the board a rundown of the NACD conference in Salt Lake City and SWCD Legislative Days at the capitol he attended. He also discussed the Federal Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) grant and the Clean Water Fund Grant working with Environmental Services to target water projects in Le Sueur Co.

The board had a discussion regarding policy that allows the District Manager to sign checks up to \$1500.00 for equipment, maintenance and supplies.

Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to pay ISG \$9805.00 for Gibbs water storage project survey and design.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Mader to pay ISG \$5122.50 for the City of Montgomery feasibility study.
(District account, reimbursable)

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to sign the Professional Service Contract with Le Sueur County for ditch work.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to pay Le Sueur County \$5900.00 for the mower that sold on consignment at Midwest Machinery in Northfield. The money will go back into the riparian fund at the county.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

SWCD supervisors were handed out a list of their delegated positions on boards such as TSA, GBERBA, 1W1P's and personnel.

Motion by Struck, second by Mader to hire Peterson Company to complete the 2024 SWCD audit.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to make a partial payment to Le Sueur County Drainage Authority in the amount of \$54,558.74 for side inlets. Contract #MDM-2025-01. **(FY24 Drainage Grant)**

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

The SWCD 2024 Annual Report was handed out to the board and reviewed.

Motion by Struck, second by Mader to authorize Kourtney Spitzack to full time status effective immediately with a grade 8-2 salary. Kourtney's 6 month probation period ended in good standing.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

1W1P

Cannon – FEMA flood study wrap up, 2025 budget, education and outreach campaign, Lake Francis becoming a priority lake discussed.

LoMRE –Motion by Mader, second by Struck to support updated funding policy pending the April JPB meeting.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to approve a feasibility study on Fox Hollow Road, accepting Bolton & Menk bid at \$24,487.00 pending the April JPB meeting.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to approve a feasibility study on Le Sueur Creek dam removal, accepting the ISG bid at \$28,776.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Middle – Lake Emily, Washington and Shanaska Creek are the current priorities of the plan.

There will be a local work group meeting on June 10, 2025, after the SWCD board meeting to discuss priorities in the county.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.

4-8, 25
Date

Zande Traxler
District Secretary



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Minutes from April 8, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur Co. SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur County SWCD building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Chairman, Greg Entinger
Vice-Chairman, Jim Struck
Secretary, Earle Traxler
Treasurer, Pete Thelemann
PR&I, Ken Mader

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel
Resource Technician, Karl Schmidtke
Soil Con Tech, Kim Scheffler
NRCS Team Lead, Chris Schmidt
BWSR Board Conservationist, Shane Bugeja
Le Sueur County Commissioners, Steve Rohlffing and Dave Presisler
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The secretary's report for March 11, 2025, was read and approved.

The treasurer's report for March 2025 was read. Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The county commissioners updated the board on road construction, the comment period for feedlot rules, federal cuts for public health and PILT which is federal payments to offset property tax loss on federal lands.

Scheffler and Schmidt gave NRCS reports of the conservation stewardship program, CRP status reviews, cuts of federal employees, early retirement and reduction in force and EQIP.

Bugeja informed the board of funding avenues such as upcoming grants.

SWCD office building roof bids were discussed. Motion by Thelemann, second by Struck to hire Al Velishek to complete the replacement with a bid of \$52,270.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to withdraw the SWCD's CD at Cornerstone State Bank of Montgomery. Thelemann and Schultz are delegated to sign.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Schultz informed the board of the conservation/clean water/outstanding conservationist tour taking place on Wednesday, July 16 2025. Residents, partners, legislators, staff will be invited on the tour.

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to pay ISG for the City of Montgomery water storage project in the amount of \$4877.50.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to pay ISG for the Gibbs wetland restoration project in the amount of \$3155.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to send Joe Jirik to drone training May 8-9, 2025. The cost of training is \$649.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

1W1P

Cannon – water storage open house meeting tonight at Justice Center, education outreach priorities, wrapping up 2023 grant to begin 2025, southern lakes conference

LoMRE – wrapping up education and outreach, social media page up and running, building a budget to make maps, policy meeting next Thursday, April 15.

Middle – technical advisory meeting addressed priorities, advisory committee discussed goals, policy meeting on Monday, April 14.

There being no further business, adjourn at 10:24 am for a policy meeting.

Policy meeting discussed purchasing eligibility of the District Manager, Mike Schultz. Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to set \$2000.00 as the limit for Schultz to purchase on behalf of the SWCD.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 11:26 am

5-13-2025
Date

Carrie Beagle
District Secretary



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Minutes from May 13, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur Co. SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur County SWCD building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Vice-Chairman, Jim Struck
Secretary, Earle Traxler
Treasurer, Pete Thelemann
PR&I, Ken Mader

Members absent: Chairman, Greg Entinger

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
District Technician, Joe Jirik
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
BWSR Board Conservationist, Shane Bugeja
NRCS Soil Con. Tech, Kim Scheffler
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Dave Preisler
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Steve Rohlfing
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read. Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Guest reports

Commissioners Preisler and Rohlfing discussed the following:

- A bill to allow the use of rifles for deer hunting in Minnesota.
- FEMA has finalized and closed out the 2024 flooding disaster in the county.
- Upcoming budget meetings and funding shifts from the state to the county, job openings/hiring freeze.
- Road projects.

Shane Bugeja informed the board about soil health non-structural practices and grant dollars coming soon.

✓ Scheffler discussed field work, CRP signup, EQIP funded contracts, downsizing and restructuring, Chris Schmidt will no longer be Le Sueur County team lead as his area is moving.

Mike Schultz updated the board on the following:

- New roof (USDA green color) and insulation timeline, which looks to be June.
- Summer tour – tour bus, food truck lunch at Lake Washington County Park Motion by Traxler, second by Theleman to book tour bus and food truck.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried
- Tree sales are complete. 8235 trees were sold.

2026 SWCD budget

- Present to SWCD board at the July meeting.
- Deliver to County by 7/11/2025.
- Present to Commissioners on 8/19/2025.

1W1P

Cannon – water storage workgroup, roughly 22 landowners attended with 10 potential project sites, Lake Francis registered to become a priority lake

LoMRE –Kourtney wrapping up plan draft, attorney selected for legal, hosted well testing in Ottawa watershed which nitrates were found

Motion to pay \$4000 dues by Traxler, second by Mader.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Middle – partnership entity or collaborative comment period

Motion by Theleman, second by Traxler to pay ISG \$2438.13 for Gibbs wetland restoration project.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Theleman to accept Brunz Construction bid for Gibbs wetland restoration at \$117,732.40.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:33 am.

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Date

6-10, 25

Beth Trahan
District Secretary



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Minutes from June 10, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur County SWCD building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Vice-Chairman, Jim Struck
Secretary, Earle Traxler
Treasurer, Pete Theleman
PR&I, Ken Mader

Members absent: Chairman, Greg Entinger

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel
Resource Technician, Karl Schmidtke
NRCS Team Lead, Chris Schmidt
BWSR Board Conservationist, Shane Bugeja
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Steve Rohlfsing
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Dave Preisler
FSA CED, Taylor Carlson
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
TSA Soil Health Coordinator, Rebekah Veldboom
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

The treasurer's report was read. Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Taylor Carlson discussed the following:

- *Le Sueur County FSA County Committee elections
- *Deb Bednar retirement
- *Reminder to certify crops by July 15, 2025
- *CRP signup closing June 6, 2025

Commissioner's Preisler and Rohlffing discussed the following:

- *Le Sueur County resolution for shot gun only deer hunting season
- *Le Sueur County is not a sanctuary county
- *Micro growing cannabis facilities in the county
- *Legislative session ending and future budget
- *Vetter Stone expanding mining
- *County road construction and bridge replacement
- *Sentence to Serve cut
- *County ditch redetermination of benefits

Chris Schmidt discussed the following:

- *CRP – reenrollment and new contracts
- *EQIP – certifying practices for payments
- *Erosion control projects
- *Team boundaries changing, Chris will no longer be with Le Sueur County
- *Resignations and retirements within the agency

Shane Bugeja discussed the following:

- *1W1P – Cannon and LoMRE – implementation dollars increased
- *Soil Health dollars decreasing for delivery and staffing
- *Clean Water funding – no application period this year for competitive grants

Rebekah Veldboom introduced herself as the TSA Soil Health Coordinator. She discussed the Peer-to-Peer Mentorship program and asked the board what they would like to see mentors do. Greg Entinger is a mentor, and Marty Krocak has applied.

Motion by Traxler, second by Thelemann to approve Marty Krocak TSA Soil Health Mentorship Agreement.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to purchase new personal computers for staff in the amount of \$7650.00.

The SWCD is part of the county program, being on a rotation for computer replacement.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

There is an Area 6 meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, in Mankato at the South Central Service Cooperative.

The SWCD tour will be on Wednesday, July 16, 2025.

The board discussed the 2025 Outstanding Conservationist award. Motion made by Thelemann, second by Traxler to present Jim and Jerry Beckel with the award.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Traxler to accept the ranking form for the RCPP Soil Health Policy.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to adopt the Le Sueur County SWCD Conservation Contracts Policy to add cover crops at \$20/acre.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The Patterson Water Storage prevailing wage is closed out with the MN Department of Labor

The new roof on SWCD office building is scheduled for mid-July.

1W1P

Cannon – incentives for CRP, Kourtney working on social media

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to pay Tyrone David Cannon cost-share contract #24-LS-004 in the amount of \$36,423.75 for sediment basins.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Middle – Nicollet SWCD will be the lead, collaborative board, plan out to partners

LoMRE – CRP incentives, meeting to approve priority funding

Motion to adopt priority funding for the LoMRE by Thelemann, second Mader.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader second by Traxler to approve Pete Thelemann LoMRE cost-share contract application #25-LS-001 in the amount of \$15,411.83 for sediment basins.

Affirmative: Mader, Struck, Traxler

Opposed: None

Abstained: Thelemann

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to approve David Jones LoMRE cost-share contract application #25-LS-002 in the amount of \$15,246.00 for a waterway.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Traxler and Entinger will make up the 2026 budget committee.

Motion to adopt a new pay scale by Traxler, second by Mader.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

7-8, 25
Date

Sandie Traxler
District Secretary



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The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary's report from June 10, 2025 was read and approved.

Treasurer's report for June 30, 2025 was read. Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Commissioner Rohlfing discussed the following:

- *Cyber training
- *Road construction
- *Cherry Creek bridge replacement
- *Budget process

Shane Bugeja discussed the following:

- *Soil Health dollars deposited sometime this month
- *Conservation contracts and delivery dollars coming in August

*WCA

*New RIM drinking water easement program

*Updates to the grant admin manual

Kim gave an NRCS report and discussed the following:

*CSP new contracts

*EQIP

*CRP waiting to know accepted offers

*Team boundaries change effective 7/14/25

Kourtney reminded the board of the tour on 7/16/25 and that seats are still available to register.

Motion by Traxler, second by Thelemann to sign the DNR well observation payment invoice for \$960.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Joe completed drone training and has become certified. He is looking into different models of drones for the SWCD to purchase.

The board read an approved resolution from Freeborn County to withdraw from GBERBA.

There being no further business, regular meeting adjourned at 9:44 am.

8-12, 25

Barb Mader

District Secretary

The board met after their regular meeting to discuss the 2026 budget. Motion by Mader, second by Thelemann to approve the 2026 budget with a 3.5% COLA plus add an additional \$26,185.00 for 25% of Ditch Specialist salary.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

There being no further business, budget meeting adjourned at 10:52 am.



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Minutes from August 12, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur County SWCD Building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Chairman, Greg Entinger
Vice-Chairman, Jim Struck
Secretary, Earle Traxler
Treasurer, Pete Thelemann
PR&I, Ken Mader

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
District Technician, Joe Jirik
Resource Technician, Karl Schmidtke
Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
BWSR Board Conservationist, Shane Bugeja
NRCS Soil Con Tech, Kim Scheffler
NRCS Team Lead, Jessica Beske
Le Sueur County Commissioner, Steve Rohlffing
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary's report of July 8, 2025, was read and approved.

Treasurer's report of July 31, 2025, was read. Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Commissioner Rohlffing discussed the following:

- Courthouse remodel complete
- Staffing/replacing open positions
- Upcoming budget meetings with departments
- Road projects

Kim Scheffler discussed the following:

- Large CRP workload
- PF employee, Taylor Rasmussen, working on CRP
- Introduced Jessica Beske, NRCS team lead for Le Sueur County

Shane Bugeja discussed the following:

- Funding awarded for City of Montgomery project \$530,000 (City to use land as match)
- Conservation contracts funding notice coming in August
- WCA & NRBG funding notice coming in September

Old Business

- Conservation Tour – positive feedback of sites visited and lunch
- Building remodel – complete except for insulation to be blown in attic yet

New Business

- Changing website platform to Wix instead of Streamline which allows SWCD more flexibility especially with online store. Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to change platform.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried
- Joe presented information to purchase a Drone. The cost of purchase is \$4500.00, **Capacity FY23** dollars will be used to pay. Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to purchase the DJI Mavic 4 Drone.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried
- Joe discussed updating the Trimble. The unit that the SWCD has is not supported anymore. The cost to update is approximately \$8500.00. **Capacity FY23** dollars will be used to pay.
- Joe discussed the MDA Soil Health Financial Assistance Grant that is available to the SWCD to apply for funds to purchase a 15' drill for seeding cover crops. Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to apply for the grant.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried
- The janitor contract is up for renewal. The contract is daily, weekly and yearly tasks required by the USDA and is reimbursed at \$625.00/month. Motion by Mader, second by Struck to renew the contract with Dawn Ruhland.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

- Motion by Thelemann, second by Struck to encumber \$1451.00 for Scott Pexa **Conservation Contracts**, contract #1-25 for a sediment basin
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried
- Motion by Thelemann, second by Struck to encumber \$17,115.25 for Scott Pexa **Conservation Contracts**, contract #2-24 for a sediment basin.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried
- Motion by Thelemann, second by Traxler to update the Soil Health RCPP Fund policy language to include "strip till" wording.
Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried
- Soil Health RCPP Grant

Motion by Struck, second by Traxler for the SWCD board to designate the District Manager contract approval authority for the purpose of the nonstructural practices as part of the Soil Health RCPP grant. The project is a partnership between BWSR/NRCS where the SWCD implements the contracts to the federal standards required by NRCS. Designating contract approval authority will allow SWCD staff to implement the program efficiently and on time.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Mike discussed the privacy required when presenting RCPP contracts to the board. Landowner names will be withheld due to federal requirements.

- 1W1P

Cannon

Updates included – finalizing projects and working on CRP incentives

Motion by Thelemann, second by Struck to encumber \$43,271.25 for Steve Miller **Cannon** cost-share contract #25-LS-005 for a grade stabilization structure.

Affirmative: All
Opposed: None
Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to encumber \$15,772.25 for Len Petricka **Cannon** cost-share contract #25-LS-006 for a grade stabilization structure.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Middle

Updates included: Agency review for plan, addressing comments, funds possible a year from now

LoMRE

Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to encumber \$8451.00 for Wayne Schanus **LoMRE** cost-share contract #25-LS-003 for a sediment control basin.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

9-9-25

Date

Wayne Traxler

District Secretary



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Minutes from September 9, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur County SWCD Building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Chairman, Greg Entinger
Vice-Chairman, Jim Struck
Secretary, Earle Traxler
Treasurer, Pete Theleemann
PR&I, Ken Mader

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel
Resource Technician, Karl Schmidtke
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Steve Rohlffing
BWSR Board Conservationist, Shane Bugeja
NRCS Soil Con Tech, Kim Scheffler
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary's report of August 12, 2025, was read and approved.

Treasurer's report of August 31, 2025, was read. Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Guest reports:

NRCS Kim Scheffler discussed the following:

- Completing CRP plans
- Additional EQIP contracts funded from funds turned back
- End of fiscal year reporting and preparing for next fiscal year
- Construction starting
- Completing site visits

Commissioner Rohlfing discussed the following:

- Courthouse remodel complete
- Highway department 10 year plan for new shop
- Road projects
- Cherry Creek bridge replacement
- 2026 budgets and preliminary budgets by September 22, 2025

BWSR Board Conservationist Shane Bugeja discussed the following:

- RCPP additional dollars for Le Sueur SWCD \$120,000
- SWCD encumbers \$80,000 of \$120,000 and can request more funds
- Conservation Delivery funds to go out this month
- Conservation Contracts funds for FY26 & FY27 will be combined
- NRBG and WCA funds also discussed

Entinger asked about the DNR completing a new public waters inventory.

Dufault CPA will discontinue payroll services at the end of this year. CSS&W located in New Prague, gave the SWCD a quote to begin. Traxler would like the SWCD to get a quote from Andring, Collins, Norman & Co. in Le Center.

Schultz informed the board that the MN Paid Family and Medical Leave program starts 1-1-2026. The benefit of the program is to partially replace employees' wages for medical or family leave.

Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to complete a feasibility study on Hinton Watershed using the *Lake Washington Match Grant*. The study will cost \$12,000.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The following RCPP soil health contracts were approved by the District Manager totaling \$176,530.00:

#40-1-1 approved 8/25/25

#40-1-2 approved 8/25/25

#40-1-3 approved 8/25/25

#40-1-4 approved 8/26/25

#40-1-5 approved 8/26/25

A \$94,381.97 soil health grant application was submitted to the MDA for a 15' drill.

Motion by Thelemann, second by Struck to sign the FY24 audit representation letter to Peterson Company.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Traxler to sign the lease amendment with USDA that amends the lease to begin October 1, 2024, through July 31, 2029, instead of beginning August 1, 2024.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

BWSR will be performing a PRAP (Performance Review and Assistance Program) in 2026 which will assess the Le Sueur County SWCD's performance.

There will be an Area 6 meeting/tour in Olivia on September 30, 2025, for those who want to attend.

Motion by Thelemann, second by Struck to extend the Gibbs water quality project completion date to May 15, 2026.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to approve and encumber \$15,412.44 for Marty Krocak cover crop ***Conservation Contracts*** cost-share contract #2-25.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

1W1P

Cannon -

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to approve and encumber \$17,289.00 for Al Gehrke WASCOB project. ***Cannon 1W1P*** contract #25-LS-007.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

LoMRE -

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to approve and encumber \$14,586.40 for Mary Miller wetland restoration project. ***LoMRE 1W1P*** cost-share contract #25-LS-004.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Middle –

Middle MN 1W1P comment period, plan written and 60 day external review.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.

10-14-2025

Date

Frank Traylor

District Secretary



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Minutes from October 14, 2025, regular meeting of the Le Sueur County SWCD Board of Supervisors. Le Sueur County SWCD Building, Le Center, MN.

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

Members present: Vice-Chairman, Jim Struck
Secretary, Earle Traxler
Treasurer, Pete Thelemann
PR&I, Ken Mader

Members absent: Chairman, Greg Entinger

Others present: District Manager, Mike Schultz
Resource Technician, Karl Schmidtke
District Technician, Joe Jirik
Outreach Specialist, Kourtney Spitzack
Ditch Specialist, Nik Kadel
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Dave Preisler
Le Sueur Co. Commissioner, Steve Rohlffing
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

September 9, 2025, secretary's report was read and approved.

September 30, 2025, treasurer's report was read. Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Guest reports:

Commissioner Preisler discussed the Le Sueur County 2026 preliminary budget is at a 5.4% increase, the final budget will be set on December 2, 2025. The federal shutdown began on October 1, 2025, which hasn't affected the county yet but may soon.

Commissioner Rohlfing gave updates on road projects, county ditch public hearings, enforcement concerns regarding shotgun or rifle use for deer hunting and a public hearing to be held on updating the comprehensive land use plan.

PFML (paid family medical leave) begins January 1, 2026. ShelterPoint insurance company will provide the benefit for the SWCD at a rate of \$.59 which is lower than going with the State of Minnesota's plan.

Motion by Thelemann, second by Traxler to adopt ShelterPoint's plan for the PFML.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Insurance premiums for 2026 were discussed. Health insurance will increase 8.16%, dental will increase 6.8% while life insurance and long term care insurance will remain the same. Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to approve the 2026 insurance rates.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Dufault CPA is discontinuing payroll services effective December 31, 2025. Motion by Thelemann, second by Traxler to hire Andring Collines Norman & Co to begin payroll services for the SWCD beginning January 1, 2026.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

MCIT completed an appraisal on the SWCD office building and storage shed.

The following RCPP soil health contracts were approved by the District Manager totaling \$94,411.10:

#40-1-6 approved 8/26/25

#40-2-1 approved 9/23/25

#40-2-2 approved 9/24/25

#40-2-3 approved 9/24/25

#40-2-4 approved 9/30/25

#40-2-5 approved 9/30/25

#40-2-6 approved 9/29/25

#40-2-7 approved 9/29/25

Motion by Traxler, second by Thelemann to approve Nick Krautkremer MAWQCP application.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The MASWCD convention will be December 1-3, 2025.

1W1P

Cannon – flood study update, watershed operations with NRCS

LoMRE – Motion by Thelemann, second by Traxler to approve and pay Dave Jones contract #25-LS-002 in the amount of \$15,246.00 for a waterway.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Fox Hollow Road study complete, to be brought to the Sharon township board in November.

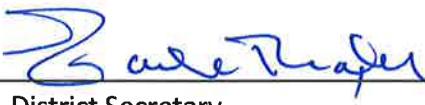
Middle – plan to be submitted to BWSR after the 60 day comment period.

Resolutions were reviewed and voted on.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 11:03 am.

11.12.2025

Date



District Secretary



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

Members present: Chairman, Greg Entinger
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The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary's report for October 14, 2025, was read and approved.

Treasurer's report for October 31, 2025, was read. Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to approve as read and to pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Commissioner Preisler began by thanking the veterans for their service. The county's final budget needs to be set by December 2nd. Mower County gave the county a presentation on how their computer system was hacked. The county's health insurance premiums are up 9.8%.

The MASWCD annual convention takes place December 1-3, 2025. Registration deadline is Friday, November 14, 2025, for those who wish to attend.

Soil Health RCPP project grant updates:

Grant #1 in the amount of \$180,000 has been encumbered.

Grant #2 in the amount of \$120,000 has been encumbered.

Grant #3 in the amount of \$120,000 has \$60,395.30 encumbered and \$59,604.70 to be spent.

7874.74 acres of conservation has been impacted so far by the RCPP grants.

The following RCPP soil health contracts were approved by the District Manager totaling \$92,454.20: #40-2-8 approved 10/7/25; #40-2-9 approved 10/7/25; #40-3-1 approved 10/14/25 and #40-3-2 approved 10/14/25.

Staff position descriptions have been brought up to date. Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to accept the position description updates.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The board received the 2026 SWCD Benefits Package. Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to adopt.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

1W1P

Cannon -

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to approve the Roles Agreement 2026-2029.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Thelemann to cancel Andrea Berg contract #24-LS-003.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

LoMRE –

Motion by Thelemann, second by Traxler to approve the following list of CRP incentive projects totaling 100.52 acres and \$19,500 dollars:

Braun Farms Inc	3.97 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-001
Doug Kiewatt	2.03 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-002
R&R Farms	1.73 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-003
Alan Reak	8.26 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-004
William Randall	14.68 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-005
Ron Schultz	15.58 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-006
Ron Schultz	2.31 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-007
William Rynda	3.02 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-008

Tim Traxler	.67 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-009
Tom Connelly	2.53 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-015
Richard Krentz	4.27 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-017
William McCue	3.78 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-018
Gerald Selly	5.02 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-019
Leon Kukacka	5.61 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-020
Ron Schultz	5.51 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-021
William McCue	6.0 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-023
Mima LLP	2.02 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-025
Prairie Hogs Inc	6.6 acres	\$1500	25-LSC-CRP-026
Richard Krentz	.7 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-028
Richard Krentz	.99 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-029
Thomas Krentz	1.63 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-030
Prairie Hogs Inc	1.8 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-031
Leon Kukacka	1.81 acres	\$500	25-LSC-CRP-033

Middle –

Plan comment period closed 11/16/25.

Comment public hearing 12/15/25.

There being no further regular business, meeting adjourned at 9:54 am for personnel meeting.

12.9.25

Date

Boyle Trautner

District Secretary



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The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary's report for November 12, 2025, was read and approved.

Treasurer's report for November 30, 2025, was read and a motion made by Struck, second by Traxler to accept and pay bills.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Guest Reports

NRCS – Kim is catching up on payments since the government shutdown; some fall construction projects were not completed due to this also. They are waiting on program guidance for EQIP.

BWSR – Shane was in the Le Center office double checking RCPP contracts with Joe and Kourtney. He commented on the MASWCD convention and talked of reporting season coming up for Districts.

The board and staff discussed the MASWCD convention. Management and supervisor training discussed, 1W1P's and the outstanding conservationist lunch with Beckles. Beckles

The Le Sueur County SWCD Personnel Policy was updated to add MPFL (MN Paid Family Leave). Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to approve the update.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Theleman, second by Traxler to approve the Contract for Services with ISG for the City of Montgomery Water Storage Grant in the amount of \$105,000.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to approve the 2026 Le Sueur County Ditch Inspector budget proposal.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to approve the billable rates for the 2026 Le Sueur County Ditch Inspector contract.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to approve and pay Marty Krocak cover crop cost-share contract #2-25 in the amount of \$15,412.44. ***Conservation Contract FY25***

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to amend Scott Pexa cost-share contract #1-25 to change the installation date to 5/1/2026.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to amend Scott Pexa cost-share contract #2-24 to change the installation date to 5/1/2026.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Traxler to make RCPP payments to landowners for completing cover crops and strip till practices. Total dollars to be paid out will be \$200,245.20 that impact 7,874.74 acres.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

RCPP contract payments-

40-1-1	Cover Crops	110 acres	\$6600.00
40-1-2	Strip Till	30 acres	\$1050.00
40-1-3	Strip Till	637 acres	\$22,295.00
40-1-4	Cover Crops	1543 acres	\$92,580.00
40-1-5	Strip Till	1543 acres	\$54,005.00
40-1-6	Cover Crops	96 acres	\$3470.00
40-2-1	Cover Crops	96 acres	\$2290.00
40-2-2	Cover Crops	414 acres	\$24,840.00
40-2-3	Strip Till	960.9 acres	\$33,631.50
40-2-4	Cover Crops	46.54 acres	\$2792.40
40-2-5	Strip Till	46.54 acres	\$1628.90
40-2-6	Cover Crops	271.14 acres	\$16,268.40
40-2-7	Strip Till	271.14 acres	\$9489.90
40-2-8	Cover Crops	317 acres	\$19,020.00
40-2-9	Strip Till	317 acres	\$10,038.90
40-3-1	Cover Crops	635.74 acres	\$38,144.40
40-3-2	Strip Till	635.74 acres	\$22,250.90

1W1P - Cannon

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to approve and pay Al Gehrke Cannon cost-share contract #25-LS-007 in the amount of \$17,289.00 for a water and sediment control basin. **Cannon Funds**

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to amend Len Petricka Cannon cost-share contract #25-LS-006 to increase total amount authorized to \$15,960.00.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Thelemann to approve and pay Len Petricka Cannon cost-share contract #25-LS-006 in the amount of \$15,960.00 for a grade stabilization structure. **Cannon Funds**

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to amend Le Sueur County Hwy Dept. Cannon cost-share contract #24-LS-005 to increase the total amount authorized to \$15,450.38.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to approve and pay Le Sueur County Hwy Dept. Cannon cost-share contract #24-LS-005 for a structure and outlet erosion control practice in the amount of \$15,450.38.

Cannon Funds

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Traxler to amend Steve Miller Cannon cost-share contract #25-LS-005 to increase the total amount authorized to \$45,519.38.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to approve and pay Steve Miller Cannon cost-share contract #25-LS-005 in the amount of \$45,519.38 for a grade stabilization structure. ***Cannon Funds***

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Mader to approve and make final payment to Don Quiram Cannon cost-share contract #24-LS-006 in the amount of \$11,088.13 for a water and sediment control basin. ***Cannon funds.***

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Thelemann, second by Struck to amend Cletus Gregor Cannon cost-share contract #25-LS-001 to amend the installation date to 12-31-2026.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Traxler, second by Struck to approve and make partial payment to Cletus Gregor Cannon cost-share contract #25-LS-001 in the amount of \$25,907.25. ***Cannon Funds***

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Struck, second by Mader to cancel Montgomery McKay cost-share contract.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The Lake Volney subwatershed analysis was discussed.

1W1P - LoMRE

Motion by Mader, second by Struck to approve Ed Halloran CRP incentive payment in the amount of \$500 for contract #25-LSC-CRP-016.

Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Le Sueur Creek Dam removal assessment discussed.

1W1P – Middle

Public hearing on Monday, then to BWSR for review.

The Reeder family submitted a MN Data Practices Act request on information of CD#40. They are questioning who pays for a culvert within the ditch system.

Schultz discussed a legal letter received from Dean Zimmerli from Gislason & Hunter regarding Washington Lake drainage matter – Patterson watershed project.

Motion by Traxler, second by Mader to pay \$25.00 for the MN Soil Health Coalition membership.

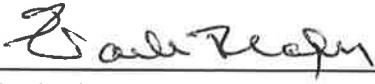
Affirmative: All

Opposed: None

Motion carried

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 10:55 am.

1-13-26
Date


District Secretary