

*LeSueur County Soil and Water
Conservation District
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Minutes from the April, 13, 2009 regular board meeting of Le Sueur County SWCD. SWCD building, Le Center, MN.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Dietz at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Chairman, Alvin Dietz
Vice-Chairman, Glendon Braun
Treasurer, Cletus Gregor
PR&I, Bob Riebel

Members absent: Secretary, Jon Schabert

Others present: District Manager, Roger Ruhland
District Engineer, Gene Krautkremer
Program Specialist, Sue Prchal
Soil Technician, Chris Schmidt
Soil Conservationist, Roderick Dukes
Board Conservationist, Tom Fischer

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary's report was read and approved.

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

Affirmative: Dietz, Braun, Gregor, Riebel

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Motion by Riebel, second by Gregor to encumber \$2700 for Bill Masberg c/share contract #10-08.

Affirmative: Dietz, Braun, Gregor, Riebel

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The board discussed the Commissioners meeting they and the staff attended on March 24, 09. Items discussed were redetermination of county ditches and the county administering payroll for the District.

Dietz represented the District at the SWCD day at the Capital. He felt he had a productive visit with Senator Dahl and discussed funding for the Districts with the Senator.

Tom Fischer discussed replacing Chris Hughes as Le Sueur County SWCD's Board Conservationist due to BWSR's work areas changing. Tom will be completing the FY07 state cost-share closeout after today's meeting. He discussed the state cost-share program for FY10 possibly decreasing due to the state budget.

Dietz questioned the green acres program.

Zone 10 requested a contribution of \$400 per district. Motion by Riebel, second by Gregor to pay the \$400.

Affirmative: Dietz, Braun, Gregor, Riebel

Opposed: None

The board discussed the 10 year rental agreement with FSA and NRCS. Motion by Dietz, second by Braun to raise the rent per square foot to \$16.95 for the first 5 years, and \$18.95 for the next 5 years.

Affirmative: Dietz, Braun, Gregor, Riebel

Opposed: None

Motion carried

The Area 6 meeting was discussed. Living snow fences were talked about and Dietz feels an attempt should be made to promote snow fences on secondary roads through CRP and Le Sueur County.

The Cannon River Watershed Partnership would like each board member to donate \$25.00.

Gene and Roger took the sign down on Highway 22 and it looks ok. The posts need to be painted and the bird house attached.

Motion by Gregor, second by Braun to have Riebel sign the AgBMP low interest loan agreement with the MN Department of Ag.

Affirmative: Dietz, Braun, Gregor, Riebel

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Trees will be coming on April 14, 2009.

Roderick gave the NRCS report and discussed the Freedom of Information Act with the board.

Vouchers were reviewed and filled out.

Motion by Riebel, second by Gregor to adjourn at 10:55 a.m.

Affirmative: Dietz, Braun, Gregor, Riebel

Opposed: None

Motion carried

Date

Secretary