

# SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

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## Murray SWCD

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### Supervisors

Chair

**Gary Brinks**  
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**Karen Hurd**  
District V

PR & I

**Paul Posthuma**  
District I  
(507) 879-3102

### Staff

District Administrator

**Shelly Lewis**

Program Manager

**Craig Christensen**

District Technician

**Aaron Crowley**

### Members Present:

Gary Brinks-Chairman  
Mona Henkels-Secretary  
Paul Posthuma-PR&I

### Members Absent:

Shannon Cohrs-Vice Chairman  
Karen Hurd-Treasurer

### Others Present:

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator  
Cheryl Heard-District Conservationist  
Craig Christensen-Program Manager  
Aaron Crowley-District Technician

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

**Additions to Agenda:** The chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Posthuma to approve adding MN CREP outreach and implementation program request for interest.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Minutes of March 12, 2020:** A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Posthuma to approve the Murray SWCD March 12, 2020 minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None  
Motion carried

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The monthly Statement of Treasurer was read and filed for audit.

**DC Report:** Heard reported on CSP. There are 80 applications for general CSP and 6 CSP renewals in Murray County. NRCS has a new program through EQIP called the Animal Mortality Program. Murray County has 80 applications for EQIP. The ranking for funding will be done next week.

**Salaries:** A motion by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for March and April, 2020.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**2020 Supervisor Filing:** The 2020 Supervisor Filing period is May 19-June 2, 2020. The following Districts are up for election: District III, IV, V are up for election.

**April 28 County Commissioner Meeting:** Lewis and Christensen attended the April 28, 2020 County Commissioner Meeting by phone conference. The SWCD allocation for January – March, 2020 was approved.

**Annual Report for newspaper:** A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Posthuma to approve purchasing a ½ page ad in the Murray County News for the Murray SWCD annual report.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Cost-Share:** A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Brinks to approve the following:

Jason Miller	State C-s #19-01	Basins	\$14,447.00	NRCS Technical
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Kerry Ruppert	Capacity C-S #18-05	Waterways	\$37,809.00	TSA Technical
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Kerry Ruppert	State C-S #19-02	Conserving Use Acres	\$ 1,500.00	
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Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Memorandum of Agreement:** A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Brinks to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for the Des Moines River Watershed 1W1P.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Heron Lake Watershed District pond clean out:** The Heron Lake Watershed District approved a bid from Reker construction for the Schindler pond clean out project. The construction will start this summer, if weather allows.

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**March/April Ag Certification Reports:** The Board reviewed the March and April Ag Certification Reports.

**WCA update:** Aaron updated the Board on current WCA issues. He has a meeting with John Hansel (BWSR Wetland Specialist) at a site tomorrow. He has been reviewing a few applications for new tile per day.

**Farm Bill Assistant:** A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Posthuma to approve the MN CREP outreach and implementation program request for interest.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Bills:** A motion by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve Murray SWCD bills from March 13, 2020-May 14, 2020 in the amount of \$19,147.44

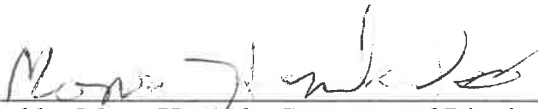
Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried

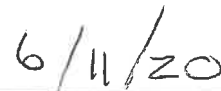
A motion by Henkles seconded by Posthuma to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, June 11, 2020.



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Approved by Mona Henkels, Secretary of District Supervisors



Date