

# SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

“Helping People Help the Land”



## Murray SWCD

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District Administrator  
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Program Manager  
Craig Christensen

District Technician  
Aaron Crowley

### Members Present:

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

### Member Absent:

Shannon Cohrs-Vice Chairman

### 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 1:35 p.m.

**Additions to Agenda:** The chairman asked if there were any additions to the agenda. A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Posthuma to approve adding cost share application from Shirley Johnson for a pond, Tony Quade for WASCOB and discussing the MOA between the Natural Resources Conservation Service and Murray Soil and Water Conservation District.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Minutes of July 9, 2020:** A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve the Murray SWCD July 9, 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:**

CSP: There were 6 CSP Renewals.

EQIP: NRCS funded 6 EQIP applications

3 Animal Mortality applications were improved.

There is an 8-9 month wait on 1026 requests.

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

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Well & Boring Records:** The Board reviewed the Well & Boring records.

**State of MN CREP Outreach Grant:** A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve the FY2021 State of MN Board of Water and Soil Resources MN CREP Outreach and Implementation Program Grant Agreement.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Ag Certification:** A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve contract & payment authorization for Steve Schreier.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Murray SWCD Cost-Share & EQIP percentage:** The Board discussed what percentage to cost-share with when piggy backing with EQIP. A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Posthuma to set the Murray SWCD cost-share percentage to 75% when piggy backing with EQIP.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

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### **FY19 Capacity Cost-Share:**

A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve the following application:

Chad McBeth #19-01 Waterway FY19 Capacity SWPTSA Technical

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Hurd to approve the following application:

LaDonna Miller #19-02 Waterway FY19 Capacity NRCS Technical

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Hurd to approve the following application:

Shirley Johnson #19-03 Pond FY19 Capacity SWPTSA Technical

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Hurd to approve the following application:

Tony Quade #19-04 WASCOB FY19 Capacity SWPTSA Technical

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

### **State Cost-Share:**

A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve payment to:

Jason Miller #19-01 Basins FY19 & FY20 NRCS Technical

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**WCA Update:** Aaron updated the Board on current WCA projects. He has been working with Area II on a basin and putting together information to move forward. He had a teleconference with the tech panel on a WCA issue.

**Buffer update:** Christensen updated the Board on buffers. In fall of 2019 there were 30 non-compliant landowners. The Environmental service department sent out letters to the landowners. Christensen has flown the drone over all the non-compliant and found around 12 still out of compliance to date. Christensen gave the list to Jean at the Environmental Service Office.

**MOA with NRCS:** The Board was updated on the MOA between the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Murray Soil and Water Conservation District. A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Henkels to approve the MOA between NRCS and Murray SWCD.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

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**Bills:** A motion by Posthuma seconded by Hurd to approve Murray SWCD bills from July 10, 2020-August 13, 2020 in the amount of \$25,498.06.


Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried

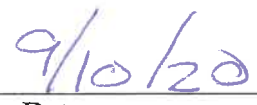
The chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, September 10, 2020.



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Approved by Mona Henkels, Secretary of District Supervisors



Date