# SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION **DISTRICTS**

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## Murray SWCD

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### **Supervisors**

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Anthony Conrad

District III

Staff

District Administrator **Shelly Lewis** 

Program Manager **Craig Christensen** 

Resource Specialist Devin Ryan

**Members Present:** 

Mona Henkels-Chair Paul Posthuma- Vice Chair Jason Miller- Secretary Karen Hurd-Treasurer Anthony Conrad-P.R.&I.

#### **Others Present:**

Shelly Lewis-District Administrator Craig Christensen-Program Manager Devin Ryan-Resource Specialist Danielle Evers- SW MN Area Certification Specialist

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 Posthuma seconded by Miller to approve the agenda as presented.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

Minutes of January 11, 2024: A motion was made by Miller seconded by Posthuma to approve the Murray SWCD January 11, 2024, minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

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

<u>Salaries:</u> Motion by Hurd second by Posthuma to approve Supervisor's vouchers and Murray SWCD salaries for January 2024.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None.

Motion carried.

**DC Report:** No Report

<u>Danielle Evers (SW MN Area Certification Specialist):</u> Evers joined to the meeting to give the year-end report for 2023. She also informed the Board of a Hwy 14 tour classic in Lake Benton on February 20, 2024.

**2024 Murray SWCD Annual Plan:** The board reviewed the 2024 Murray SWCD Annual Plan. A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Conrad to approve the 2024 Murray SWCD Annual Plan. Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**SWMASWCD Area V meeting:** A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Henkels to approve attendance at the SWMASWCD Area V meeting on Thursday, February 15, 2024, in Marshall.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

<u>Conservation Cooperative for Working Lands Grant:</u> A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Hurd to apply for the Conservation Cooperative for Working Lands Grant.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**2024 MACDE Employee Dues:** A motion was made by Miller seconded by Hurd to approve the 2024 MACDE Employee Dues for \$25.00/employee.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

<u>Legislative Briefing and Day at the Capitol:</u> A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Miller to approve attendance at the Legislative Briefing and Day at the Capitol on March 12-13, 2024.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

<u>County Commissioner Meeting:</u> Lewis and Christensen attended the Murray County Commissioner meeting on February 6, 2024, to request the SWCD 4<sup>th</sup> quarter allocation.

**Des Moines River 1W1P contract:** A motion was made by Hurd seconded by Conrad to approve the contract voucher #23-DMRW-MUR-006 Charles Hill to be forwarded to the Des Moines River 1W1P for payment.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Posthuma seconded by Hurd to approve the following applications and forward them to the Des Moines River Watershed 1W1P for Cost-Share.

**Brad Halbur-WASCOB** 

Scott Swanjord-Grassed Waterway

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

MACDE Manager Meeting: A motion was made by Henkels seconded by Miller to approve District Administrator attending the MACDE Managers Meeting on March 26-27, 2024, in Baxter, MN.

Affirmative: Unanimous

Opposed-None Motion carried.

### **District Administrator Update:** Lewis updated the Board on the following:

- End of Month
- Des Moines River 1W1P
- Putting cost-share projects in eLINK
- Updating web site
- TSA books

### **Program Manager Update:** Christensen updated the Board on the following:

- 1W1P meetings
- Working on Easements for CREP & RIM
- Working on Tree Plans
- Applying for Conservation Cooperative for Working Lands Grant

#### **Resource Specialist:** Ryan updated the Board on the following:

- Attended Cottonwood 1W1P meeting
- Working on a RIM grasslands application
- Working on cost-share projects
- Working on WCA report

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Bills: A motion by Hurd seconded by Posthuma to approve the Murray SWCD bills from January 12, 2024-February 8, 2024, in the amount of \$2,263.12. Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 14, 2024

Approved by Jason Miller, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date