Minutes of the Mower County Soil and Water Conservation District on August 14, 2019.

Meeting was called to order by Randy Smith, Board Chairman.

Supervisors Present:  Jim Gebhardt
                        Jon Erichson
                        Randy Smith
                        Jim Kellogg
                        Micah Peterson

Staff Present:  Justin Hanson, District Manager
               Jeanne Crump, Administrative Assistant

Others Present:  Brian DeVetter, NRCS District Conservationist

Agenda:
Gebhardt made a motion to approve the August agenda.  Peterson seconded the motion.
Affirmative:  Gebhardt, Erichson, Smith, Kellogg, Peterson
Opposed:  None

Secretary Report:
Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2019 board meeting.
Kellogg seconded the motion.
Affirmative:  Gebhardt, Erichson, Smith, Kellogg, Peterson
Opposed:  None

Treasurer Report:
Checks Payable:
The payables report and the treasurer reports were reviewed with the board.
Erichson made a motion to approve the payables report, August payroll, the
treasurer reports and to transfer money as needed.  Kellogg second the motion.
Affirmative:  Gebhardt, Erichson, Smith, Kellogg, Peterson
Opposed:  None

NRCS Staff Report:
DeVetter gave an update on NRCS programs, to include:  summer construction, EQIP,
CRP, hiring, and farmbill tech.

Action Items:
Small Feedlot Grant Agreement:
Hanson explained the small feedlot grant agreement between Mower and
Goodhue SWCD to the board.  Erichson made a motion to approve the agreement
with Goodhue SWCD.  Peterson seconded the motion.
Affirmative:  Gebhardt, Erichson, Smith, Kellogg, Peterson
Opposed:  None
**CWF Headwaters Targeted Watershed Grant (Fillmore SWCD):**
Dale Queensland is requesting Targeted Watershed Root River headwaters cost share for his grassed waterway. The estimated cost of this project is $5,200, with a cost share of 90% not to exceed $4,680. Erichson made a motion to approve contract #HW19-03 for Dale Queensland for his grassed waterway at 90%, not to exceed $4,680. Gebhardt seconded the motion.
Affirmative: Gebhardt, Erichson, Smith, Kellogg, Peterson
Opposed: None

Rachel Nagele is requesting Targeted Watershed Root River headwaters cost share for her grassed waterway. The estimated cost of this project is $13,800, with a cost share of 90% not to exceed $12,420. Peterson made a motion to approve contract #HW19-04 for Rachel Nagele for her grassed waterway at 90%, not to exceed $12,420. Kellogg seconded the motion.
Affirmative: Gebhardt, Erichson, Smith, Kellogg, Peterson
Opposed: None

**Commissioner Report, Polly Glynn:**
Not in attendance.

**Discussion Items:**
- **Position Announcement:**
  Hanson updated the board with the applications that have come in for the new position.

- **2020 Proposed Budget:**
  Hanson talked about the 2020 budget and the finance committee meeting that is scheduled with the County this afternoon. The board held discussion on the budget and the finance meeting.

- **CREP Update and Wolf Creek:**
  James Fett updated the board on CREP and informed them of the declaration of Wolf Creek as a trout stream by the MN DNR.

- **Work Truck:**
  Hanson talked about the truck that was ordered early April and should be delivered soon.

**Supervisor Reports:**
- **Joint Powers Board Meeting:**
  Gebhardt updated the board on JPB meeting that he attended.

**Staff Report (See Attached):**
The Staff Report and all programs were reviewed.

Meeting was adjourned. The next board meeting will be September 11, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

APPROVED __________________________ DATE ___________