

Minutes of the Le Sueur - Rice Joint County Ditch 5 Meeting
Le Sueur County Courthouse, Le Center, MN
January 10, 2019
9:00 a.m.

The Le Sueur - Rice County Joint Ditch Board reconvened on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the Le Sueur County Courthouse located at 88 S. Park Ave. in Le Center, Minnesota. Those Commissioners present from Le Sueur County were Dave Gliszinski, Danny O'Keefe and Lance Wetzel. Those Commissioners present from Rice County were Jake Gillen and Jeff Dokken.

Also present were Le Sueur County Administrator Darrell Pettis, Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer Pam Simonette, Rice County Chief Financial Officer Paula O'Connell, and Attorney John Kolb with Rinke-Noonan.

Ditch Viewers Ron Ringquist, Al Kerber and Bill Anderson were present.

Board Chair Gliszinski opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Attorney John Kolb explained the purpose for the proceedings.

Ditch Viewer Ron Ringquist then proceeded to give an overview of the Le Sueur – Rice County Joint Ditch 5 viewer findings from reexamining the SW of SE of Section 1 in Kilkenny Township and the contributing areas in Sections 31 and 36 in Rice County as instructed at the November 29th hearing. No changes to the amended viewer's report submitted on November 29th were recommended.

Chairman Gliszinski then invited public comments.

On motion by Gillen, seconded by Wetzel and unanimously approved, the Joint Ditch Authority approved to reopen public comments.

Two comments were received by Cletus Gregor and James Fischer.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by Gillen and unanimously approved, the Joint Ditch Authority approved to close public comments.

Attorney John Kolb reviewed the Findings and Order.

On motion by Dokken, seconded by Gillen and unanimously approved, the Joint Ditch Authority approved the Findings and Order Adopting Redetermined Benefits for Le Sueur – Rice Joint Ditch 5.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O'Keefe and unanimously approved, the Joint Ditch Authority approved to close the hearing.

Mike Schultz with Le Sueur County SWCD appeared before the Board to discuss a proposed repair project on the Jeff Gibbs property, and was directed to return to the Board at a future meeting with a monetary breakdown of costs for review.

On motion by Dokken, seconded by Gillen and unanimously approved, the Joint Ditch Authority approved to appoint Chuck Brandel with ISG as Engineer and prepare a feasibility study for a Le Sueur – Rice JD 63 repair and/or improvement project.

On motion by Wetzell, seconded by Gillen and unanimously approved, the Board adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST: _____

Le Sueur County Administrator

Le Sueur-Rice JDA Chairman