

**Minutes of Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners Meeting
August 4, 2020**

The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Courthouse at Le Center, Minnesota. Those members present were: John King (remote), Dave Gliszinski (remote), Lance Wetzel (remote), Steve Rohlfing, and Danny O’Keefe. Also present were Darrell Pettis and Brent Christian.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the agenda for the business of the day.

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the consent agenda:

- Approved the July 28, 2020 County Board Minutes and Summary Minutes.
- Approved the July 14, 2020 Le Sueur – Blue Earth Joint Drainage Authority Minutes and Summary Minutes

Dave Tiegs, County Engineer appeared before the Board with one item for approval.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call 5 to 0, the Board approved and authorized the Chair to sign the TH 99 / Justice Center Turn Lane Contract with Heselton Construction LLC of Faribault, MN in the amount of \$736,741.85.

Ann Traxler, Emergency Management appeared before the Board with two items for approval. On motion by Wetzel, seconded by O’Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the following resolution:

Resolution Declaring a State of Emergency

WHEREAS the heavy rain/flooding event from June 29, 2020 impacted the population of Le Sueur County and its cities; and

WHEREAS the heavy rain/flooding event has caused a significant amount of public property damage; and

WHEREAS the Le Sueur County Department of Emergency Management requests the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners to declare Le Sueur County in a STATE OF EMERGENCY for the heavy rain/ flooding event of June 29, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners declares Le Sueur County in a State of Emergency for conditions resulting from this heavy rain/flooding event.

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the following resolution:

Resolution Declaring a State of Emergency

WHEREAS the heavy rain/flooding event from July 25, 2020 impacted the population of Le Sueur County and its cities; and

WHEREAS the heavy rain/flooding event has caused a significant amount of public property damage; and

WHEREAS the Le Sueur County Department of Emergency Management requests the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners to declare Le Sueur County in a STATE OF EMERGENCY for the heavy rain/ flooding event of July 25, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners declares Le Sueur County in a State of Emergency for conditions resulting from this heavy rain/flooding event.

Cindy Shaughnessy, Public Health Director appeared before the Board to discuss Le Sueur County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Cindy Westerhouse, Human Resources Director came before the Board with several items for approval.

On motion by King, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the recommendation to hire Melissa Dee as a full time Agency Social Worker in Human Services, Grade 11, Step 7 at \$31.81 per hour, effective August 17, 2020.

Darrell Pettis, County Administrator appeared before the Board with one item for consideration.

On motion by Wetzel, seconded by Gliszinski and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0 the Board approve the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC OF THE INTENT TO
MAKE THE OFFICE OF LE SUEUR COUNTY AUDITOR-TREASURER
APPOINTED AND PROVIDING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 375A.1205 provides a process for making certain County offices appointed in Le Sueur County; and

WHEREAS, the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners intends to consider making the Office of Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer appointed; and

WHEREAS, the County Board must notify the public of its intent to make the Office of Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer appointed by publishing this resolution once a week for two consecutive weeks in the official publication of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Le Sueur County Board must provide an opportunity for public comment related to appointing the Office of Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, there is a signed contract between the County Board and the Le Sueur County Auditor- Treasurer that provides that the Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer will be appointed to the position.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners intends to consider the appointment of the Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the required notice be published in the Le Sueur County News, Le Sueur County's official newspaper, on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 and Wednesday, August 19, 2020.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice is hereby given that public comment will be heard on the intent to appoint the County Auditor-Treasurer position at the Le Sueur County Board meeting held on September 1, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the County Board Room located in the Le Sueur County Courthouse at 88 South Park Avenue, Le Center, MN.

Commissioner Committee Reports:

- Commissioner Gliszinski reported on Dept Head meeting.
- Commissioner King reported on City of Le Sueur, Dept Head, Sharon Twp.
- Commissioner Wetzel reported on Dept Head meeting.
- Commissioner O'Keefe reported on HRA, Dept Head, Sharon Twp.
- Commissioner Rohlfing reported on MRCL.

On motion by King, seconded by O'Keefe and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved the cases and claims for Human Services:

Financial: \$27,591.31
Soc Services: \$90,745.56

On motion by Gliszinski, seconded by Wetzel and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board approved, the following claims were approved for payment:

Warrant #	Vendor Name	Amount
60391	Ag Partners Coop	\$ 3,529.69
60398	Bolton & Menk Inc.	\$ 33,550.00
60400	City of Waterville	\$ 2,092.56
60401	Contech Engineered Solutions LLC	\$ 4,439.20
60402	Department of Corrections	\$ 18,134.32
60404	Barbara Droher Kline	\$ 3,199.55
60405	Express Services Inc.	\$ 2,483.48
60424	Le Sueur Co Soil/Water	\$ 10,827.15
60429	MN Counties Computers Coop	\$ 14,065.75
60436	OMG Midwest Inc.	\$ 2,657.55
60437	Outback Fence & Fabrication	\$ 4,389.31
60447	S.E.H. Inc.	\$ 6,801.05
60448	Selly Excavating Inc.	\$ 21,924.75
60449	SHI International Corp.	\$ 9,450.00
60465	Wendland Sellers Law Office	\$ 6,478.00

61	Claims paid less than \$2,000.00:	\$ <u>23,635.31</u>
15	Claims paid more than \$2,000.00:	\$ <u>144,022.36</u>
76	Total all claims paid:	\$ <u>167,657.67</u>

On motion by O’Keefe, seconded by King and approved via roll call vote 5 to 0, the Board adjourned until Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

ATTEST: _____
Le Sueur County Administrator **Le Sueur County Chairman**