



# Le Sueur County, MN

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

Board Meeting

## Item 8

**10:20 a.m. Carol Blaschko**

*RE: Designate Le Sueur County News as Legal Newspaper for remainder of 2018*

*RE: Preston Veteran's Home Project Request*

*RE: CD22 Redetermination of Benefits Order*

*RE: CD35 Redetermination of Benefits Order*

*RE: CD49 Redetermination of Benefits Order*

*RE: Justice Center Contracts: Gag Sheet Metal, Custom Drywall and Mid America Business Systems*

Staff Contact:

## **Notice of change of Publications for Le Sueur County**

Announcement for Public Notices in the Legal Newspapers: Le Sueur News-Herald & Le Center Leader.

As of August 8, 2018, the 2 publications, Le Sueur News-Herald & Le Center Leader, will merge into one new newspaper publication: **Le Sueur County News**.

The **Le Sueur County News** will be published weekly on Wednesdays to cover all current subscribers of both the Le Sueur News-Herald & Le Center Leader. **Le Sueur County News** will be a Legal newspaper serving all of Le Sueur County as per Minnesota statutes – [see below](#).

Please use the same contacts and deadlines you use for placing your Public Notices currently, when placing them for August 8<sup>th</sup> and after for Notices in the new **Le Sueur County News**.

The Leader (Blooming Prairie/Ellendale) will cease to publish after the September 1st edition. Any Public Notices with additional run dates scheduled for The Leader, will finish the run dates in the Owatonna People's Press – our main Steele County Legal newspaper – [see below](#).

Thanks,

Tom Murray

President, APG Media of Southern Minnesota 507-444-2367

## **2017 Minnesota Statutes**

[331A.09331A.11](#)

- [2017 Minnesota Statutes](#) [TRADE REGULATIONS, CONSUMER PROTECTION](#) [Chapter 331A](#) Section 331A.10, **331A.10 CHANGE OF NAME OR DISCONTINUANCE OF NEWSPAPER.**

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### **Subdivision 1. Change of name.**

When a public notice is required or ordered to be published in a particular newspaper and the name of the newspaper is changed before the publication is completed, the publication shall be made or continued in the newspaper under its new name with the same effect as if the name had not been changed. The proof of the publication, in addition to other requirements, shall state the change of name and specify the period of publication in the newspaper under each name.

### **Subd. 2. Discontinuance.**

When a newspaper ceases to be published before the publication of a public notice is commenced, or when commenced ceases before the publication is completed, the order for publication, when one is required in the first instance, may be amended by order of the court or judge, to designate another newspaper, as may be necessary. If no order is required in the first instance, publication may be made or completed in any other qualified newspaper. Any time during which the notice is published in the first newspaper shall be calculated as a part of the time required for the publication, proof of which may be made by affidavit of any person acquainted with the facts.

### **Subd. 3. Publication; suspension; changes.**

The following circumstances shall not affect the qualification of a newspaper, invalidate an otherwise valid publication, or invalidate a designation as official newspaper.

(a) Suspension of publication for a period of not more than three consecutive months resulting from the destruction of its known office of issue, equipment, or other facility by the elements, unforeseen accident, or acts of God or by reason of a labor dispute.

(b) The consolidation of one newspaper with another published in the same county, or a change in its name or ownership, or a temporary change in its known office of issue.

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# CITY OF PRESTON

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July 25, 2018

Darrell Pettis  
Le Sueur County Board  
88 S Park Avenue  
LeCenter, MN 56057

Mr. Pettis,

I'm very excited to share with you, and the Le Sueur County Board, that the first skilled nursing Veterans Home in Southeastern Minnesota is very close to becoming a reality. Preston was chosen as one of three sites across greater Minnesota for the construction of a new veterans home.

The construction costs for Veterans Homes are funded by a combination of local, state and federal funds. In May of this year, the Legislature and Governor allocated \$10.2 million in state bond funds for construction of this home. The City of Preston will purchase and donate the 15-acre site (\$210,000) and has pledged an additional \$360,000 in cash. Fillmore County has pledged \$350,000 in cash. While ongoing, to date individuals and organizations in the Preston area have pledged \$110,000 in cash. The federal government will match local and state contributions 2-1.

The facility design work will start in October and while our hope is to build a 72-bed home, the local contributions pledged in the next 5 weeks will dictate the size and amenities of the facility.

The City of Preston respectfully requests the Le Sueur County Board to consider a contribution to this project.

***Why should Le Sueur County consider a contribution?***

While this facility will be open to veterans from across Minnesota, our 2017 needs assessment estimates that 10% of the residents in this facility will come from the study's "tier 3" counties (Le Sueur, Rice, Goodhue and Wabasha).

***How much should our County Board consider donating?***

A number of Counties near to the other proposed veterans homes have pledged \$50,000 each to their respective projects.

***When does our County Board need to make a decision?***

The Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs has requested the pledge commitments be made by August 31, 2018. The contributions will need to be received by the state no later than March 23, 2019. Contributions will be placed into a state-managed escrow fund. If your County intends to make a donation, please return the enclosed pledge card by Friday, August 24.

Please see the attached pledge card for additional information. Please direct questions relating to the project or the pledge to our City Administrator, Joe Hoffman, at (507) 765-2153 or [jhoffman@prestonmn.org](mailto:jhoffman@prestonmn.org).

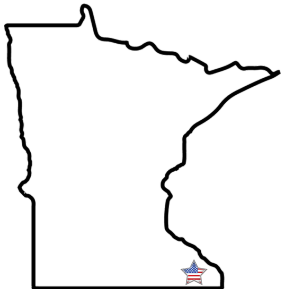
Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kurt Reicks" followed by a vertical line and the initials "MR".

Kurt Reicks  
Mayor

# PRESTON VETERAN'S HOME



- ▶ 72-bed skilled nursing care facility - first and only in Southeastern Minnesota
- ▶ Proposed to serve 15 Counties in Southeastern Minnesota
- ▶ \$30+ million facility cost
- ▶ Many veterans left their communities behind to serve their country - having veterans homes in Greater Minnesota ensures our veterans don't again need to travel far from home to get the care they deserve.

**Pledges are due by August 24, 2018.**

County Name \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of Pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Funds to be deposited in State escrow account no later than March 23, 2019

**Please send pledge card to: City of Preston, PO Box 657, Preston, MN 55965**

Please contact Joe Hoffman, Preston City Administrator, with any questions about the project or your pledge. 507-765-2153 or [jhoffman@prestonmn.org](mailto:jhoffman@prestonmn.org)

**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
LE SUEUR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, DRAINAGE AUTHORITY FOR  
LE SUEUR COUNTY DITCH 22**

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**In the Matter of the Redetermination of  
Benefits of Le Sueur County Ditch 22,  
Spur B**

**FINDINGS AND ORDER  
INITIATING THE REDETERMINATION  
OF BENEFITS AND APPOINTING  
VIEWERS**

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The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners, sitting as the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 22, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 103E.351, based on the record and proceedings, Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ moved, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt the following Findings and Order:

**Findings:**

1. The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners is the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 22.
2. Le Sueur County Ditch 22 was established in 1903. Original Benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 22 were determined concurrent with establishment in 1903. Subsequently, benefits were updated in conjunction with improvements in 1926 and 1944, prior to the initiation of modern, intensive farming and drainage practices within Le Sueur County.
3. In 2005, the drainage authority granted the City of Montgomery's petition to transfer a majority of Le Sueur County Ditch 22 to the control of the City. Under the transfer order, the City is responsible for future maintenance of the those portions of the ditch transferred to the City. Following the transfer, only Spur B and the Spur B benefitted area remain under the jurisdiction of the drainage authority.
4. The current benefits roll reflects the benefitted properties, benefitted areas, and benefit values as determined by viewers based on assumptions regarding the future use and drainage of said properties.
5. Since the original establishment and subsequent improvement of Le Sueur County Ditch 22 and the corresponding benefits determinations, land uses and drainage practices have changed to accelerate and increase the flow of water to the drainage system changing the nature and value of benefits accruing to lands from construction of Le Sueur County Ditch 22.
6. Since the most recent determinations of benefits and damages, land values have changed within the benefitted area of Le Sueur County Ditch 22.

7. The drainage authority noticed and held a hearing on the proposed redetermination of benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 22 on August 2, 2018. The informational hearing was attended by landowners who confirmed certain conditions related to benefits on the drainage system.
8. The drainage authority finds that the conditions required for the initiation of a redetermination of benefits exist, that the original benefits and damages do not reflect reasonable present day land values, and the benefitted areas have changed.

**Order:**

Based on the foregoing Findings and the entire record of proceedings before the Board, the Board, acting as the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 22, hereby orders as follows:

- A. The Board shall follow the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 103E.351 to conduct a redetermination of benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 22, Spur B.
- B. That Bryan Murphy, Larry Murphy and Shantel Hecht, are hereby appointed as viewers to redetermine and report the benefits and damages for Le Sueur County Ditch 22, Spur B.
- C. That within 5 days of this Order, the Auditor-Treasurer shall execute an Order designating a time and location for the first meeting of the viewers and mail to the viewers a copy of the Auditor-Treasurer's Order along with a certified copy of this Order.

After discussion, the Board Chair called the question. The question was on the adoption of the foregoing Findings and Order, and there were \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ absent, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstentions as follows:

	Yea	Nay	Absent	Abstain
GLISZINKSKI	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CONNOLLY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
KING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
WETZEL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ROHLFING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Upon vote, the Chair declared the motion passed and the Findings and Order adopted.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lance Wetzel, Chairperson

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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I, Pam Simonette, Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer, do hereby certify that I have compared the above motion; Findings and Order with the original thereof as the same appears of record and on file with the Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners and find the same to be a true and correct transcript thereof. The above Order was filed with me, Le Sueur County Auditor-Treasurer on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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Pam Simonette



**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
LE SUEUR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SITTING AS THE DRAINAGE AUTHORITY FOR  
LE SUEUR COUNTY DITCH 35**

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**In the Matter of the Redetermination of  
Benefits of Le Sueur County Ditch 35**

**FINDINGS AND ORDER  
INITIATING THE REDETERMINATION  
OF BENEFITS AND APPOINTING  
VIEWERS**

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The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners, sitting as the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 35, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 103E.351, based on the record and proceedings, Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ moved, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt the following Findings and Order:

**Findings:**

1. The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners is the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 35.
2. Le Sueur County Ditch 35 was established in 1909. Benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 35 were determined concurrent with establishment in 1909 and modified as part of an established improvement in 1954, prior to the initiation of modern, intensive farming and drainage practices within Le Sueur County.
3. The current benefits roll reflects the benefitted properties, benefitted areas, and benefit values as determined by viewers based on assumptions regarding the future use and drainage of said properties.
4. Since the original establishment and subsequent improvement of Le Sueur County Ditch 35 and the determinations of benefits and damages, land uses and drainage practices have changed to accelerate and increase the flow of water to the drainage system changing the nature and value of benefits accruing to lands from construction of Le Sueur County Ditch 35.
5. Since the determinations of benefits and damages, land values have changed within the benefitted area of Le Sueur County Ditch 35.
6. The drainage authority noticed and held a hearing on the proposed redetermination of benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 35 on August 2, 2018. The informational hearing was attended by landowners who confirmed certain conditions related to benefits on the drainage system.

7. The drainage authority finds that the conditions required for the initiation of a redetermination of benefits exist, that the original benefits and damages do not reflect reasonable present day land values, and the benefitted areas have changed.

**Order:**

Based on the foregoing Findings and the entire record of proceedings before the Board, the Board, acting as the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 35, hereby orders as follows:

- A. The Board shall follow the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 103E.351 to conduct a redetermination of benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 35.
- B. That Bryan Murphy, Larry Murphy and Shantel Hecht, are hereby appointed as viewers to redetermine and report the benefits and damages for Le Sueur County Ditch 35.
- C. That within 5 days of this Order, the Auditor-Treasurer shall execute an Order designating a time and location for the first meeting of the viewers and mail to the viewers a copy of the Auditor-Treasurer’s Order along with a certified copy of this Order.

After discussion, the Board Chair called the question. The question was on the adoption of the foregoing Findings and Order, and there were \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ absent, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstentions as follows:

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Upon vote, the Chair declared the motion passed and the Findings and Order adopted.

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Lance Wetzel, Chairperson

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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**STATE OF MINNESOTA  
LE SUEUR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SITTING AS THE DRAINAGE AUTHORITY FOR  
LE SUEUR COUNTY DITCH 49**

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**In the Matter of the Redetermination of  
Benefits of Le Sueur County Ditch 49**

**FINDINGS AND ORDER  
INITIATING THE REDETERMINATION  
OF BENEFITS AND APPOINTING  
VIEWERS**

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The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners, sitting as the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 49, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 103E.351, based on the record and proceedings, Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ moved, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt the following Findings and Order:

**Findings:**

1. The Le Sueur County Board of Commissioners is the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 49.
2. Le Sueur County Ditch 49 was established in 1920. Benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 49 were determined concurrent with establishment in 1920, prior to the initiation of modern, intensive farming and drainage practices within Le Sueur County.
3. The current benefits roll reflects the benefitted properties, benefitted areas, and benefit values as determined by viewers based on assumptions regarding the future use and drainage of said properties.
4. Since the original establishment of Le Sueur County Ditch 49 and the original determination of benefits and damages, land uses and drainage practices have changed to accelerate and increase the flow of water to the drainage system changing the nature and value of benefits accruing to lands from construction of Le Sueur County Ditch 49.
5. Since the original determination of benefits and damages, land values have changed within the benefitted area of Le Sueur County Ditch 49.
6. The drainage authority noticed and held a hearing on the proposed redetermination of benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 49 on August 2, 2018. The informational hearing was attended by landowners who confirmed certain conditions related to benefits on the drainage system.

7. The drainage authority finds that the conditions required for the initiation of a redetermination of benefits exist, that the original benefits and damages do not reflect reasonable present day land values, and the benefitted areas have changed.

**Order:**

Based on the foregoing Findings and the entire record of proceedings before the Board, the Board, acting as the drainage authority for Le Sueur County Ditch 49, hereby orders as follows:

- A. The Board shall follow the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 103E.351 to conduct a redetermination of benefits for Le Sueur County Ditch 49.
- B. That Bryan Murphy, Larry Murphy and Shantel Hecht, are hereby appointed as viewers to redetermine and report the benefits and damages for Le Sueur County Ditch 49.
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