



# Dickinson Conservation District

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## 70<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

January 25, 2020

Bethany Lutheran Church, Norway, MI 49870

Date Approved: 26 Feb 20 Signed By: [Signature]

Chairman B. Rice called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Attending the meeting were Board Directors: Bill Rice, Sue Pope, and Sarah Blanzly. Also in attendance: Amber Butterfield (District Manager), Lawrence Sobson (FAP Forester) Lindsay Peterson (WRISC Coordinator), Katherine Mentel WRISC Project Manager), Kyle Hafeman (WRISC Project Manager), Tom Berndt, (NRCS), and Michael Paling (ABC); and 30 additional honored guests, exhibitors, and presenters.

**Agenda:** The agenda was publicly published and displayed at the meeting.

**Project Updates:** Five minute updates on 2019 activities were given by A. Butterfield (general District activities), K. Hafeman (Stream Monitoring grant) L. Sobson (FAP), L. Peterson (WRISC), T. Berndt (NRCS).

**Board Candidate:** A. Butterfield presented and gave a background on new Board Candidate, Kurt Lehmann.

**Awards:** One award was presented: James Blignaut for his continued work in the field of Forestry.

**ynote Speakers:** Landen Tetil spoke on Produce Safety and Slagle Farms spoke about programs implemented on their farm.

**Displays:** A number of table displays were set up at the meeting, including: Friends of the District, Dickinson CD, Forestry Assistance Program, Wild Rivers Invasive Species Coalition, Bee Keepers Association, Wildlife Unlimited, ABC, NRCS, TRICO Opportunities, and Verso Paper.

**Election:** The physical election concluded at 11:00 a.m. The nominee included: Kurt Lehmann. A total of 14 ballots were cast and the results announced at 11:30 a.m. Election results were as follows: K. Lehmann (14 votes) was nominated for a two-year term.

**Refreshments:** Light brunch items including fruit, bagels, granola bars, coffee, tea, and juice, were offered.

**Meeting Expenses:** \$227.34 (\$133.62 food, \$93.72 other)

**Meeting Income:** \$30

**Net Meeting Cost:** \$(197.34)

**Adjournment:** The formal Annual Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am. People continued to visit for a while, and the building was exited by 12:30 pm.

*Minutes Submitted by: Amber Butterfield*

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