

## Commissioners Note:

Dear Landowners,

Here's what is going on your area as of Nov. 10, 2017

In the past 2 years , staff members from Soil and Water Dept. and Le Sueur County . They Reviewed and looked at areas around German/Jefferson to try to come up with a list of projects that would be submitted to the BWSR for approval. These projects if funded would help areas to reduce sediment run off into area Lakes and Streams. Last year we miss out on the funding, so Staff went work to redo the paperwork and resubmitted it . The County should know by the first part of Dec. 2017 if they were approved. We will kept you posted.

The Cannon River, One Watershed/One Plan Start back in March of 2017. The planning process will take 2 years to collect Data from stakeholders ( Counties, Soil and Water Boards, DNR, Fish and Wildlife groups, Lake Assoc., Ag.Group and Landowners, etc.. These groups will put together all resources to come up plan how to repair and restore the Cannon River Watershed . More details on this as it moves forward

Septic Systems have been updated and installed over the last couple of years. There is only about 30 Landowners that have not started the process of getting a contractor and having that discussion about what's my options. If you haven't started yet please do so, and We thank all the Landowners that have finish and for those who have started.

County Road 104 update , As of Sept. 2017 , After the County and the Landowner could not agree on the Land cost . The County Board Voted to move forward with the eminent domain process to Acquire right of way for county road 104. Hwy. Staff is hoping to go out for bids by March-April of 2018.

German/Jefferson Dist. Update, On Oct. 17 a Petition with about 110 names on it , came before the County Board by a few Landowners. They want the German/Jefferson Dist. to dissolve . What's next , after checking all the signatures, there is 10% of Qualified Voters listed. By State Law, this request by petition has to go to a vote. So on The second Tuesday of April 2018, it will go to a vote. We will keep you updated.

County Staffing update;

We have a new Parks Director, Tyler Luethje . Also as of Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> the County decided to split the duties of Admin./Engineer. Darrell Pettis is the new Admin. and Dave Tieg is the new Engineer. The long time Planning and Zoning Admin. Kathy Brockway is retiring on Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>. The job has been posted and listed.

As always thanks for living and supporting Le Sueur County ,

Commissioner Gump Rohlfig

