

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, April 16, 2014

Managers Present: Steve Kraushaar Mike Jones
 Jim Gebhardt Mike Merten
 Kevin Kiser Sue Olson
 Jason Weis

Others Present: Bev Nordby, Administrator
 Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
 Justin Hanson, Mower SWCD
 James Fett, Mower SWCD
 Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD
 Steve Klein, BARR Engineering
 Steve Lawler, BWSR

Public Present: None

Chairman, Sue Olson called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

Kiser made a motion to approve the agenda. Merten seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Jones, Kraushaar, Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Public Input

No Public Input.

Steve Lawler, BWSR

Steve Lawler attended the board meeting to update on the Dobbins Grant that the CRWD will be receiving. Lawler informed the board of the significance of the grant and to congratulate them and the staff on being selected for the grant.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

Gebhardt presented the minutes from the March 19, 2014 board meeting. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 19 board meeting. Weis seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Jones, Kraushaar, Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Jones reviewed the Treasurer's report with the board. Olson made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Gebhardt seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Jones, Kraushaar, Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Jones reviewed the payables with the board. Weis made a motion to approve the payables for April. Kraushaar seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Jones, Kraushaar, Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Dobbins Presentation

Hanson gave the presentation to the board that was given to the State Grant Committee regarding the Dobbins Grant interview.

Legal Counsel

Nordby talked with the board about Kurt Deter, Rinke-Noonan, for the CRWD attorney. She explained that Benda is very busy and that the District will be needing more legal counsel due to increasing issues in the watershed. Olson stated that she looked over the bid presented by Deter and believes that it will benefit the District. Olson made a motion to approve that the CRWD moves its legal business to Kurt Deter with Rinke-Noonan. Jones seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Jones, Kraushaar, Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

Permit Update

Fett talked with the board on the month's permitting activity. He updated the on the current violations. The board held discussion on the rules.

Home and Vacation Show

Olson, Kiser and Merten talked about the success of the Home and Vacation Show. They talked about the canoe drawing and about the feedback that was received.

Outreach

Nordby talked about Ruzek's report and how busy he has been.

River Signs

Nordby informed the board that the river signs will be installed soon. The highway department will be assisting in the installation.

Manager's Reports

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The board discussed the fact of Kraushaar term being up. He will sign-up again for another term. Discussion was held.

Olson made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Weis seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Jones, Kraushaar, Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 21, 2014.

Submitted by,

Jim Gebhardt, Secretary, jkc