

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, April 15, 2015

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

Others Present: Justin Hanson, Mower SWCD
 Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
 James Fett, Mower SWCD
 Cody Fox, Mower SWCD
 Tim Ruzek, Outreach Coordinator
 John Schulte V, Jones, Haugh and Smith
 Adam King, Dodge SWCD
 Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD
 Laura Helle, Vision 2020
 Nels Rasmussen, City of Austin Water Quality Specialist

Chairman Jason Weis called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

Olson 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.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

Merten presented the minutes from the March 18, 2015 board meeting. Kiser made a motion to approve the minutes. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Jones reviewed the Treasurer's report for April. Merten made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Kraushaar seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

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

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

Opposed: None

Rules Decision

Discussion was held on the rules to include suggestions from other agencies. The board included some of the suggestions in the updated rules. Olson made a motion to improve the updated rules with changes. Merten seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Capital Improvement Plan

Hanson talked about the CIP, along with working with Vision2020. Helle and Ruzek explained the process of the funding approval. Olson made a motion to support the CIP and moving forward with Vision2020. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

CRP Assistance

Nordby talked with the board about the CRP contracts that the office is working on. A temp position is being suggested to help with the contracts and there would be a cost of \$2500 to the CRWD for help with this position. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the \$2500 for assistance with a temp position to assist with CRP contracts, etc. Jones seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Hearing Minutes

Merten presented the minutes from the March 25, 2015 Rules Hearing. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

Dobbins Mapping Project

Fox updated the board on the mapping that he has been doing in the Dobbins watershed.

Permits

Fett updated the board on permitting.

Governor Dayton's Buffer Meeting

The board held discussion on the Governor Dayton buffer meeting.

Manager's Reports

Chairman & Manager Report

Nothing new to discuss.

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

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

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 20, 2015.

Submitted by,

Mike Merten, Secretary, jkc