

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, March 19, 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
 John Schulte, Jones, Haugh and Smith
 Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD
 Steve Klein, BARR Engineering

Public Present: None

Chairman, Sue Olson called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

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

Affirmative: Jones, Gebhardt, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Public Input

No Public Input.

Merten and Kraushaar entered the board meeting.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

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

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

Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

Updating H & H with New Soils Data-Steve Klein

Klein explained the new soils data that has come available and talked about his proposal to update the H & H model to reflect the new data. He explained that the cost would not exceed \$10,000. The board held discussion.

Permit Update

Fett updated the board on permitting. Fett updated on the appeal letter that was received from Hodgman Drainage.

Dobbins Watershed Application

Nordby and Hanson informed the board that there is a good possibility that the Dobbins Watershed Application will be approved and that they will know for sure by March 26th. The approval of the Dobbins Grant will mean a dedication of \$200,000 (\$50,000 per year for 4 years) by the CRWD.

Detention Areas through Bonding Funds

Nordby talked about the bonding funding that is available and asked the board if they would like staff to move forward with the application. There would be a \$250,000 match required by the District and a possible project levy. Discussion was held. The board instructed staff to move forward with the application.

H & H Soils (continued)

The board held further discussion on updating the H & H model to reflect the new soils data. Kiser made a motion to approve the update from BARR for the H & H model not to exceed \$10,000. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Home & Vacation Show

A canoe was purchased to give away at the Home & Vacation Show. Funds for the canoe came from the check that was received from Jennings for metal recycling from the river clean-ups.

Outreach

Nordby talked about the Annual Report that was mailed out.

Manager's Reports

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Discussion was held.

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

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

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 16, 2014.

Submitted by,

Jim Gebhardt, Secretary, jkc