

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, March 15, 2017

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

Others Present: Justin Hanson, Administrator
Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
James Fett, Mower SWCD
Aaron Gamm, Mower SWCD
Adam King, Dodge SWCD
Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD

Chairman Jim Gebhardt called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

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

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Public Input

Livingston talked about Kiser's reappointment to the board. He also gave the board an update on former board member Fuller.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

Olson presented the minutes from the February 15, 2017 board meeting. Weis made a motion to approve the minutes. Merten seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Crump reviewed the Treasurer's report for February. Kiser made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Olson seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Crump reviewed the payables with the board. Kiser made a motion to approve the payables for March. Olson seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

2016 Year End

The board discussed the 2016 Year End reports. Kiser made a motion to approve the 2016 Year End reports and to forward them on to BWSR. Olson seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

Buffer Presentation

Gamm updated the board on buffer law compliance.

Delegation of Jurisdiction for Buffer Implementation

Hanson explained the enforcement issues for the buffer law, who will be the enforcer. The board held discussion.

Olson left the meeting.

2016 Annual Report

The board discussed the draft 2016 Annual Report.

Legislative Update

Hanson gave the board an update on legislation.

Ag Crediting Program

Hanson explained Ag Crediting to the board. The board held discussion.

MAWD By-Laws

The board talked about the possible changes in the MAWD By-Laws.

Austin Floodwall MOU

The board discussed a possible extension for the MOU with the City of Austin on the floodwall.

Manager's Reports

Cedar River Watershed Plan

Hanson updated the board on the Cedar River Watershed Plan committee. He informed them that Olson has been appointed chair of the committee.

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

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Merten, Kiser, Weis

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 19, 2017.

Submitted by,

Sue Olson, Secretary, jkc