Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District 1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912 Wednesday, January 20, 2021

Managers Present: Jim Gebhardt Mike Jones

Steve Kraushaar Mike Merten Jason Weis Sue Olson

Others Present: Justin Hanson, Administrator

Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD Cody Fox, Mower SWCD Tim Ruzek, Mower SWCD Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD Adam King, Dodge SWCD Jessica Bakken, Dodge SWCD Dave Copeland, BWSR

Chairman Sue Olson called the board meeting to order.

Organization of Board Officers

Hanson opened the floor for nomination of officers.

Olson nominated Weis for Chairman. Gebhardt made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Weis for Chairman. Jones seconded the nomination.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Merten, Olson

Opposed: None Abstained: Weis

Weis nominated Kraushaar for Vice Chairman. Gebhardt made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Kraushaar for Vice Chairman. Weis seconded the nomination.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Merten, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None Abstained: Kraushaar

Olson nominated Jones for Treasurer. Gebhardt made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Jones for Treasurer. Weis seconded the nomination.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Merten, Kraushaar, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None Abstained: Jones

Weis nominated Gebhardt for Secretary. Jones made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Gebhardt for Secretary. Merten seconded the nomination.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

Affirmative: Jones, Merten, Kraushaar, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None Abstained: Gebhardt 2021 Office Holders are:

Jason Weis, Chairman Steve Kraushaar, Vice Chairman Mike Jones, Treasurer Jim Gebhardt, Secretary

Agenda

Jones made a motion to approve the January agenda. Merten seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Public Input

No public input.

Dodge SWCD Saturated Buffer Projects, Jessica Bakken

Bakken informed the board of the 3 completed saturated buffer projects for Dale Underwood.

Action Items

Saturated Buffer Cost Share Projects

Weis made a motion to approve the 3 CRWD 25% cost share payments for contract #FY16SB-05, #FY16SB-06 and #FY16SB-07 for Dale Underwood (see below). Merten seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Landowner	Contract #	County	TWP	Sec.	Project	Total Cost	State/CWF (75%)	CRWD C/S (25%)
Dale Underwood	FY16SB-05	Dodge	Westfield	8	Saturated Buffer	\$ 3,924.77	\$ 2,943.58	<mark>\$ 981.19</mark>
Dale Underwood	FY16SB-06	Dodge	Westfield	8	Saturated Buffer	\$ 3,878.12	\$ 2,908.59	\$ 969.53
Dale Underwood	FY16SB-07	Dodge	Westfield	8	Saturated Buffer	\$ 3,934.10	\$ 2,950.58	\$ 983.5 <mark>3</mark>

Secretary's Report

The minutes were presented to the board from the December 16, 2020 board meeting. Olson made a motion to approve the minutes. Jones seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Jones reviewed the payables with the board. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the payables for January. Gebhardt seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Set Location & Time of CRWD 2021 Meetings

The board held discussion on the location and time for the 2021 Monthly Board Meetings. Olson made a motion to keep the time of the meetings at 6:00pm and the location for in person meetings to the Mower SWCD office with virtual meetings being held via Zoom. Weis seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Designate Bank

Jones made a motion to keep US Bank as the District Bank of depository for checking and the current, 1st State Bank MN in LeRoy for Savings. Gebhardt seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Legal Paper

The board discussed the designation of a legal paper. Merten made a motion to keep the District's legal paper with the Austin Daily Herald. Kraushaar seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Citizens Advisory Committee for 2021

Ruzek updated the board on the C.A.C. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the membership list as presented. Jones seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Initiate CRWD Project #23-21-Dexter 18

Fox talked about project #23-21. Weis made a motion to initiate #23-21-Dexter 18 Flood Reduction Project, to authorize District Staff to negotiate an equitable agreement with the landowner and engineering staff to develop a suitable implementation plan, and to authorize District staff to conduct work as needed to present this project to the Board for review and public hearing as required by law. Merten seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

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

Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

Outreach Update

Ruzek updated the board on outreach in the watershed.

Manager's Reports

Chairman Report

Nothing new.

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

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

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

Submitted by,