

**Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
Ruby Rupner Center – Hormel Nature Center
Wednesday, January 21st, 2009**

Dan Regner called the regular monthly meeting to order.

Managers Present: Dan Regner Jim Gebhardt
 Al Kording Al Layman
 Steve Kraushaar Mike Jones
 Harlan Peck

Others Present: Justin Hanson, Mower SWCD
 Steve Penkava, JHS Engineering
 Dave Livingston, Advisory Committee
 Matt Taylor, Mower SWCD
 Steve Klein, BARR Engineering
 Greg Eggers, MN DNR

Members of Public Present: Jim Stiles, Darrel Bahn, Mary Lou Stursa, Marian J Clennon, Sara Sayles

Call to Order by Chairman Dan Regner

Approve Agenda

Regner requested that the board make changes to the sequence of agenda items. Kraushaar made motion to adjust agenda items as followed in the minutes. Second by Peck

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

Public Input

There was no public input.

Action Items

Legal Paper

Steve Kraushaar made a motion to select the Austin Daily Herald as the legal paper for 2009. Second by Layman.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

Secretary's Report

Kording informed board that the December minutes needed to be adjusted to show Gebhardt called the meeting to order, not Regner.

Al Layman questioned December Action Item C. Discussion followed on the motion to approve HDR Engineering included the dollar amount. There was no recollection of the specific motion. However, it was determined that the dollar amount would not be necessary.

Kording suggested to board that members of the public should be included into the meeting minutes.

Kording made a motion to approve the minutes with changes. Second by Layman

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Mike Jones reviewed the monthly finance reports and payables with the board. Jones added that he submitted a transaction report on behalf of the board. Layman made a motion and was seconded by Kording to approve the finance reports for December.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

Jones made a motion to use US Bank as bank depository for the Watershed District in 2009. Second by Peck.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

Reorganization of Offices

Election of Secretary:

Kording nominated Kraushaar for Secretary. Without a second, Kraushaar nominated Layman for Secretary. Second by Regner for Layman as Secretary.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kording, Kraushaar, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

Election of Treasurer:

Regner nominated Jones for Treasurer. Second by Gebhardt.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

Election of Vice Chairman:

Jones nominated Regner for Vice Chairman of the board. Without a second, Regner nominated Peck. Second by Kraushaar to elect Peck as board Vice Chairman.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Regner

Opposed: None

Election of Chairman of Board:

Peck nominated Kraushaar for chairman of the board. Second by Regner.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Kording, Layman, Regner

Opposed: None

Other Action Items

Board discussed the compensation rate for board members and whether that should be changed.

Decision was made to not change current policy at this time in regards to compensation. No action taken.

Discussion and Updates

Dobbins Creek Watershed Computer Modeling Project

Greg Eggers, with Minnesota DNR provided board with presentation on the computer modeling in the Dobbins Creek watershed and an update on the work he has done to this point.

Justice Center Storm Water Management

Regner informed the board that he was approached by the engineering firm working on the Mower County Justice Center. The company asked that the CRWD board review the storm water plan. The board is not in a position to take action for or against the plan. The board directed Steve Penkava to review the plan and provide a summary at the next meeting.

10 Year Watershed Plan

Hanson provided the board with a report of where we are at in the 10 year plan process. Board was informed that discussion should take place to determine if any additions were needed, as a result of input meetings. Board members turned in reports and made comment on the feedback received to this point.

Topics stressed during meetings were as follows:

- Townships request more input
- Concerns about public health risks from non conforming septic systems

Manager's Report

Presidents Report

No report provided by chairman Kraushaar or previous chairman Regner

Other Report

Kording discussed the summer tour for the Shell Rock Watershed District

Adjourn

Motion made by Peck to adjourn the meeting. Second by Kording

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kording, Kraushaar, Layman, Peck, Regner

Opposed: None

The next regular board meeting will be held on the 18th of February at 7:00 PM.

Submitted by,

Al Layman, Secretary, brn