

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

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

Manager Absent: Dan Regner

Others Present: Bev Nordby, Mower SWCD  
Matt Benda, Attorney

Members of Public Present: Mary Lou Stursa, Charlie Peterson, Sara Sayles, Matt Rose, Herald

President Steve Kraushaar called the board meeting to order.

**Agenda**

Kording a motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Laymen.

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

Opposed: None

**Public Input**

There was no public input.

**Action Items**

Secretary's Report Al Layman made a motion to approve the minutes with changes and was seconded by Gebhardt.

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

Opposed: None

**Treasurer's Report**

Jones reviewed the Treasurer's report for October with the board. Kraushaar made a motion and was seconded by Peck to approve the treasurer's report.

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

Opposed: None

Jones reviewed the payables with the board. Kording made a motion and was seconded by Peck to approve the payables for October.

Affirmative: Kording, Layman, Jones, Gebhardt and Kraushaar

Opposed: None

**10 Year Plan Adoption**

Nordby stated that the Board of Water and Soil Resources has approved the proposed 10 year plan. The plan is now complete and the needs to be adopted. Layman made a motion and was seconded by Peck to adopt the 10 year plan for the Cedar River Watershed District.

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

Opposed: None

## Watershed Boundary Challenge

Nordby updated the board on the petition that BWSR received for a 40 acre parcel to be withdrawal from the Watershed. The petition was not valid due to not enough signatures of residents from the CRWD had signed it. No action is needed.

## Discussion and Updates

### Funding Opportunities

Nordby reviewed avenues of different funding coming up this fall. At the November meeting will be details of items that the Watershed District will be applying for.

### Dobbins Creek

Justin is working with the landowners of the feasibility sites for water retention.

### Rules Process

The first meeting will be the 17<sup>th</sup> of November and will include having both the advisory committee as well as the technical committee. Dave Peterson will be facilitating.

### Bonding Committee

Bev and Justin met with the bonding committee for the House of Representatives to request another 2 million earmark for RIM. It went well.

### Other Items

Nordby handed out a NRCS watershed program that the Cedar River is being considered for. The Mississippi River Basin Healthy Watersheds Initiative is a new program that provides funding for upland treatment. This is an opportunity to work with Iowa on a watershed basis.

## Manager Reports

### No President's Report

### Other Manager's Report

Al Kording stated that he attended a TMDL meeting in Rochester.

Mike Jones asked Bev to check on the status of Greg Eggers, DNR, for his modeling work with Dobbins Creek.

### MAWD Annual Meeting

Bev talked about the annual conference. She asked who would be attending and to let Jeanne know if they will be attending.

Kraushaar made a motion and was seconded by Kording to adjourn the meeting.

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

Opposed: None

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 18, 2009.

Submitted by,

*Al Layman, Secretary, brn*