

**Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
Ruby Rupner Center – Hormel Nature Center
Wednesday, April 21, 2010**

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

Others Present: Bev Nordby, Mower SWCD
Justin Hanson, Mower SWCD
Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD
Matt Benda, Peterson, Savelkoul & Benda, LTD
Steve Penkava, Jones-Haugh & Smith, Inc.

Members of Public Present: Ken Penkava, Charlie Peterson, Sara Sayles, Keith Sayles, Marian Clennon, Tom Oots, Dave Hillier

President Harlan Peck called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

Regner made a motion to approve the agenda. Layman seconded it.

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

Opposed: None

Peck explained the board meeting process.

Public Input

The board, Nordby and Benda addressed questions that the public had in regards to the Rules Process

Update on Rules

The Update on Rules was moved up on the agenda to go along with the public input. Benda handed out the flow chart with the target dates of the rules process. The process is right on schedule. He explained that he will be doing the facilitating. Dave Peterson worked with the committees through the education process. He summarized the Rules procedure and how the draft rules came about. Benda explained to the board what he anticipates for the Rules Advisory Committee meeting that is scheduled for April 28th.

Regner and Layman addressed the board on issues regarding the Draft Rules and the Rules Advisory Committee. Jones commented on the draft rules and the importance the committees have a draft to work off of.

Peck thanked the public for their input.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

Gebhardt presented the minutes. Layman made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2010 board meeting. Jones seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Jones reviewed the Treasurer's report for April. Layman made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Jones seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

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

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

Opposed: None

Cost-Share Program

Hanson presented the Cost Share Program to the board. Layman made a motion to approve the Cost Share Program. Kraushaar seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

MRBI

Nordby updated the board on the MRBI grant application. The board reviewed the 5 year plan for the grant. If approved, July 1, 2010 would be the start date. The application includes a total of \$1,756,720 of Federal funding and \$538,942.70 of funding from partnering agencies. The CRWD's portion of the cost, \$85,092.70, is in the budget over the next 5 years. The board held discussion. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the submission of the application and to commit to the MRBI grant if funded. Jones seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

LCCMR

Nordby informed the board of the LCCMR grant opportunity that she applied for. The application was for \$182,000 for an existing condition model. Layman expressed his concerns.

Modeling of Dobbins Creek

Greg Eggers from DNR gave a presentation on the computer modeling of Dobbins Creek watershed. His presentation centered around culvert sizing. Discussion was held.

Manager's Reports

President's Report

Nothing new.

Other Manager's Report

Layman made a suggestion for a work retreat.

A moment of silence was held in memory of Al Kording and to reflect on his contribution to the Cedar River Watershed District.

Regner made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Gebhardt seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 19th, 2010.

Submitted by,

Jim Gebhardt, Secretary, jkc