

**Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District  
Ruby Rupner Center – Hormel Nature Center  
May 20, 2008**

President Regner called the monthly meeting for the CRWD to order.

Managers Present: Mike Jones  
Al Layman Al Kording  
Dan Regner  
Steve Kraushaar

Managers Absent: Jim Gebhardt  
Harlan Peck

Others Present: Bev Nordby, Administrator  
Justin Hanson  
Dave Livingston, Advisory Committee  
Several Residents

Approve Agenda

Kraushaar made a motion to approve the agenda and Kording seconded it.

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

Opposed: None

Public Input

There was no public input.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

Kraushaar presented the April board minutes. Layman made a motion to approve the minutes and was seconded by Regner.

Affirmative: Regner, Jones, Kording, Layman, Kraushaar

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Jones presented the reviewed the payables for May. Kraushaar made a motion to approve and was seconded by Kording.

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

Opposed: None

Jones than reviewed the finance reports with the board. Kraushaar made a motion and was seconded by Layman to approve the finance reports for April.

TMDL Local Work Plan

Nordby reviewed the working agreement with the Shellrock Watershed District, Mower SWCD, Turtle Creek Watershed District and Cedar River Watershed District. Regner made a motion and

was seconded by Jones to approve the working agreement for the TMDL process. Taylor gave an update on the TMDL monitoring program.

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

Opposed: None

#### DNR Computer Modeling Pilot

Greg Eggers from the DNR is willing to provide services to the CRWD in modeling the Dobbins Creek Watershed at no charge. Kraushaar made a motion and was seconded to write a letter of support to DNR for piloting Dobbins Creek for this modeling project.

#### Discussion and Updates

#### Engineering Contract with Barr

Matt Benda, attorney, reviewed the changes of the Barr Service Contract. The board supported the changes and would consider them on a future contract.

#### Boundary Discussion

In Steve Penkava's absent, Matt Benda, updated the board on the boundary revision process. The legal descriptions have been completed and the draft petitions have been set to BWSR for their review. At the June meeting the petition will be ready for board approval. Mower County will receive their petition for approval next month also. Public hearing will be held in the Moscow townhall.

#### Rain Garden Planning

Regner reviewed the construction timeline for the rain garden at the Nature Center. Help is going to be needed on Wednesday and Thursday. Board members as well as SWCD staff and NRCS staff will be available.

#### RIM Funding

Hanson gave an update on the RIM funding that is earmarked in the TCWD and CRWD. All details are not available yet from BWSR. We hope to have the specifics of the program in the next month.

#### Schedule Workshop for 10 Year Plan

Karen Chandler, Barr Engineering, is asking the board to schedule a workshop to discuss avenues for flood reduction that the board would like to have included in the 10 year plan. The workshop will be prior to the June board meeting with a break for supper. Nordby will set up.

#### MAWD Summer Tour

The board discussed the MAWD summer tour on June 19 to 21<sup>st</sup>. Anyone going will work with Nordby on registration and rooms.

#### Manager's Report

Regner had no report.

Kraushaar reviewed with the board a list of items he wanted to be considered as a part of the plan.

Layman stated that he canoed up to Lansing on the Cedar and spotted 2 Sandhill Cranes and talked to the CO and he saw an otter with it's pups.

Jones stated he had been reading some conservation literature and read an article on a project in the Red River that was improving water clarity. He will forward it to Karen Chandler.

Kording talked about the Lake Pelican fish kill in South Dakota.

Regner moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mike.

Next meeting will be the 21<sup>st</sup> of June with a workshop before the regular meeting.

Submitted by,

*Steven Kraushaar, Secretary, brn*