

**Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District  
Ruby Rupner Center – Hormel Nature Center  
Wednesday, May 18, 2011**

Managers Present: Steve Kraushaar                      Al Layman  
Mike Jones    Harlen Peck  
Mike Merten

Others Present: Bev Nordby, Administrator  
Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD  
Matt Benda, Peterson, Savelkoul & Benda, LTD  
Tim Ruzek, Outreach Coordinator  
Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD  
Matt Peterson, Austin Daily Herald

Members of Public Present: Jim Hurm, Sara Sayles

President Mike Jones called the board meeting to order.

**Agenda**

Kraushaar made a motion to approve the agenda. Peck seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Layman, Jones, Peck, Kraushaar, Merten

Opposed: None

**Public Input**

Jim Hurm, Austin City Administrator, informed the board of the concerns that the City has in regards to the fact that the MOU between the CRWD and the City of Austin for the North Main Project has not been completed. Hurm talked about the letter that was sent to Matt Benda from the City of Austin attorney regarding the delay of the MOU.

**Action Items**

**Secretary's Report**

Jones presented the minutes from the April 20, 2011 board meeting. Peck made a motion to approve the minutes. Layman seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Layman, Jones, Peck, Kraushaar, Merten

Opposed: None

**Treasurer's Report**

Peck reviewed the Treasurer's report for May. Merten made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Peck seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Layman, Jones, Peck, Kraushaar, Merten

Opposed: None

Peck reviewed the payables with the board. Layman made a motion to approve the payables for May. Kraushaar seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Layman, Jones, Peck, Kraushaar, Merten

Opposed: None

### **Update on Rules/Set Hearing Date**

Benda talked about the Rules Committee meeting that was held on May 10 to discuss the BWSR recommendations. The committee made some changes to the Rules. Kraushaar talked about the changes that were made. The board talked about when to have the public hearing on the Rules. Jones stated that the board would have the MOU with the City of Austin ready for the June board meeting. Jones made a motion to set the Rules Public Hearing date for July 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm before the board meeting. Kraushaar seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Layman, Jones, Peck, Kraushaar, Merten

Opposed: None

### **Discussion and Updates**

#### **Draft Education Information**

Nordby, Ruzek and Matt Taylor have been working on public education of the Rules and also the permit packet. The board discussed the Educating the Public information and also the Rules Information Sheet that was created.

#### **Rain Barrel Distribution**

Nordby talked about the Rain Barrel Distribution day that will be held on Saturday, June 18. Volunteers are needed. There will be 500 rain barrels to distribute.

#### **MAWD Summer Tour**

The board talked about the upcoming MAWD Summer Tour.

#### **Next Board Meeting**

Nordby informed the board that she and Crump would not be at the June board meeting. Hanson and Taylor will be there.

#### **Snow Storage**

Nordby informed the board that we received a letter from MPCA regarding the snow storage issue in the mail today. This will be sent out in the June board packet for discussion at the June board meeting.

### **Manager's Reports**

#### **President's Report**

Jones talked about the June board meeting items: MOU with the City of Austin and the Snow Storage letter from MPCA. He commended the staff on their work done with the Rules.

#### **Other Manager's Report**

No other reports.

Peck made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Layman seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Layman, Jones, Peck, Kraushaar, Merten

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, June 15, 2011.

Submitted by,

*Richard Fuller, Secretary, jkc*