

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, December 19, 2018

Managers Present: Jim Gebhardt Mike Jones
Steve Kraushaar Kevin Kiser
Jason Weis Sue Olson

Others Present: Justin Hanson, Administrator
Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
James Fett, Mower SWCD
Tim Ruzek, Mower SWCD
Paul Hunter, Mower SWCD
Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD

Chairman Kevin Kiser called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

Olson made a motion to approve the agenda. Weis seconded the motion.
Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis
Opposed: None

Public Input

No public input.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

The minutes were presented to the board from the November 27, 2018 board meeting. Weis made a motion to approve the minutes. Gebhardt seconded the motion.
Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis
Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

The board reviewed the Treasurer's report for December. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Olson seconded the motion.
Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis
Opposed: None

The board reviewed the payables with the board. Weis made a motion to approve the payables for December. Olson seconded the motion.
Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis
Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

2019 Contract with Mower SWCD

The board discussed the 2019 contract with the SWCD. There is an increase of \$5000 for administration and will go up from \$65,000 to \$70,000. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the 2019 contract with the Mower SWCD. Jones seconded the motion.
Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis
Opposed: None

2019 Final Budget

The board talked about the final budget for 2019. Jones made a motion to approve the final 2019 Budget. Olson seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

2019 Levy Certification

Olson made a motion to certify the levy for 2019, which includes \$250,000 for administrative and \$100,000 for projects. Weis seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Initiation Project #19-18 – Dexter 30-Dam 2

Hanson talked about project #19-18- Dexter 30-Dam 2. Kraushaar made a motion to initiate project #19-18- Dexter 30-Dam 2. Olson seconded the motion.

Crump called for a roll call of votes:

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Minimum Easement Payment Policy

Hanson talked about establishing a minimum easement payment amount of \$1000. The board held discussion. Olson made a motion to establish a minimum easement payment amount of \$1000. Weis seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Payment Modification to Bergeland Easement

Weis made a motion to modify the easement payment approved November 5, 2018 for \$271.53 to Barbara E Bergeland Rev. Living Trust to \$1000, due to the minimum easement payment policy approved above. Olson seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Introduce New Employee

Hanson introduced the new SWCD employee, Paul Hunter, to the board.

Discussion and Updates

Project Updates

Hanson gave an update to the board on 2018 projects.

Advisory Committee Comments of Rules

Fett talked with the board on the suggested changes/amendments to the rules by the Rules Advisory Committee. The board held discussion.

Manager's Reports

Nothing new to report.

Olson made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Jones seconded the motion.

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Jones, Kraushaar, Kiser, Olson, Weis

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

Submitted by,

Sue Olson, Secretary, jkc