

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, January 17, 2018

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

Others Present: Justin Hanson, Administrator
 Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
 Tim Ruzek, Mower SWCD
 Adam King, Dodge SWCD
 Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD

Chairman Jim Gebhardt called the board meeting to order.

Organization of Board Officers

Hanson opened the floor for nomination of officers.

Olson nominated Kiser for Chairman. Gebhardt made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Kiser for Chairman. Kraushaar seconded the nomination.

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

Opposed: None

Abstained: Kiser

Kraushaar nominated Merten for Vice Chairman. Kiser made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Merten for Vice Chairman. Olson seconded the nomination.

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

Opposed: None

Abstained: Merten

Olson nominated Jones for Treasurer. Gebhardt made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Jones for Treasurer. Olson seconded the nomination.

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

Opposed: None

Abstained: Jones

Weis nominated Olson for Secretary. Kraushaar made a motion that nominations cease and to elect Olson for Secretary. Merten seconded the nomination.

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

Opposed: None

Abstained: Olson

2018 Office Holders are:

Kevin Kiser, Chairman
Mike Merten, Vice Chairman
Mike Jones, Treasurer
Sue Olson, Secretary

Agenda

Merten made a motion to approve the agenda. Gebhardt seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Public Input

No public input.

Action Items

Secretary's Report

Olson presented the minutes from the December 20, 2017 board meeting. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the minutes. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

Jones reviewed the Treasurer's report for January and talked about yearend numbers. Merten made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Gebhardt seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Jones reviewed the payables with the board. Weis made a motion to approve the payables for January. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Set Location & Time of CRWD 2016 Meetings

The board held discussion on the location and time for the 2018 Monthly Board Meetings.

Olson made a motion to keep the time of the meetings at 6:00pm and the location of the meetings to the Mower SWCD office. Jones seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Designate Bank

Kraushaar made a motion to keep US Bank as the District Bank of depository for checking and the current, 1st State Bank of MN in LeRoy for Savings, along with Farmers & Merchants State Bank in Blooming Prairie. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Legal Paper

The board discussed the designation of a legal paper. Jones made a motion to keep the District's legal paper with the Austin Daily Herald. Merten seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Agreement with the Mower SWCD

The board discussed the 2018 Administrative Agreement with the Mower SWCD, with Hanson explaining future increases. The SWCD approved the agreement on January 10th at their board meeting. Jones made a motion to approve the 2018 Administrative Agreement with the Mower SWCD. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Abstained: Gebhardt

Discussion and Updates

Outreach Update

Ruzek gave an update on outreach in the watershed, to include: Citizens Advisory Committee, Canoemobile, and updates to the web page.

National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI) Funding

Hanson explained the funding that will be available for the Dobbins Creek area because of the designation granted through the NWQI.

1W1P Funding for the Root River Watershed

Hanson talked about the approved funding for the 1W1P for the Root River Watershed and future funding for the Cedar 1W1P when it is complete.

Audit Bid

Olson made a motion to approve the 2017 audit bid that was received from CliftonLarsonAllen for \$2950.00. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Manager's Reports

1W1P Report

Olson and Hanson updated the board.

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

Affirmative: Gebhardt, Kraushaar, Jones, Merten, Kiser, Olson, Weis Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 21, 2018.

Submitted by,

Sue Olson, Secretary, jkc