

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, April 17, 2024
Meeting held at the Mower SWCD office

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

Manager via Zoom: Jim Gebhardt (non-voting)

Others Present: Cody Fox, Administrator Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD

Chairman Merten called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

Jones made a motion to approve the April agenda. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Public Input

No public input.

Secretary's Report

The minutes were presented to the board from the March 20, 2024, board meeting. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

The board discussed the March month end report. Olson made a motion to approve the March month end report. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

The April payables report was reviewed with the board. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the payables for April. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Action Items

Technical Advisory Committee

Fox explained the recommendation to form up to a 3-person Technical Advisory Committee to develop recommendations in relation to valuing acquisitions for water quality/quantity or other enhancement, rehabilitation, or restoration projects. The board held discussion.

Kraushaar made a motion to establish a Technical Advisory Committee. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

The following nominations were made for members of the committee.

- Kiser nominated Jones for the TAC. Kraushaar seconded the nomination.
- Kraushaar nominated Merten for the TAC. Jones seconded the nomination.
- Weis nominated Olson for the TAC. Kiser seconded the nomination.

Kraushaar made a motion to approve the nominations of Jones, Merten and Olson for the Technical Advisory Committee. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Partners Reports

Dodge SWCD, Dave Livingston

Livingston talked about the April Dodge SWCD board meeting of which they approved the purchase of a drone, he also updated on staffing in their office and CRP applications received.

BWSR, Dave Copeland

Not in attendance.

Discussion and Updates (continued)

CPL Stream Restoration Update

Fox gave an update on the stream restoration project that was completed through a DNR grant received by the CRWD.

Water Storage Grants

Fox talked about other possible water storage projects.

Manager's Reports

Chairman Report

Nothing new.

Kiser made a motion to adjourn the board meeting. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, May 15, 2024.

Submitted by,

Jason Weis, Secretary, jkc