

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, May 18, 2022
Meeting held at the office, 1408 21st Ave NW, Austin

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

Others Present: Cody Fox, Administrator
 Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
 James Fett, Mower SWCD
 Tim Ruzek, Mower SWCD
 Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD
 Dave Copeland, BWSR
 Jon Erichson, Mower SWCD Supervisor

Chairman Steve Kraushaar called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

Weis made a motion to approve the May agenda. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Public Input

No public input

Secretary's Report

The minutes were presented to the board from the April 20, 2022, board meeting. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 20th board meeting. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was reviewed with the board. Merten made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Gebhardt seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

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

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

Opposed: None

Action Items

Discussion/Approval of Administrator

Erichson attended the meeting to inform the Cedar board of the SWCD's dedication to the work that is done for the CRWD and are recommending Cody Fox as the new Administrator for the

CRWD. The board held discussion. Jones made a motion to designate Cody Fox as the CRWD Administrator. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Assign Signature Authority

Olson made a motion to assign the CRWD Administrator as the authorized signatory for the watershed district. Merten seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Partners Reports

Dodge SWCD, Dave Livingston

Livingston explained that the board congratulates Fox and the CRWD board for their success. He talked about staffing and possible new hires in Dodge. Talked about the recent rain and erosion created by it.

BWSR, Dave Copeland

Copeland updated the board on grant opportunities. He stated that BWSR has been able to fill long time vacancies.

Discussion and Updates

1W1P Project Updates

Fox talked about the projects that were approved through the SWCD for the 1W1P grant.

Monitoring Technician Position

Fox talked about hiring to for the water monitoring in the county.

Grant Updates & Dispersal Agreements

Fox updated on current grants and help with technical through the SE MN JPB. He also talked about the grant that has been received for the Gene Tapp restoration project with \$10,000 match through the CRWD. Discussion was held.

Outreach Update

Ruzek updated the board on outreach in the watershed.

Permitting Update

Fett updated the board on the permit for the bridge replacement over the cedar river on I-90. The board discussed the items involved in the project.

Manager's Reports

Chairman Report

No additional reports.

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

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

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

Submitted by,

Mike Merten, Secretary, jkc