

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District

1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

Hybrid meeting held at the Austin office, along with remotely via Zoom video

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

Others Present: Justin Hanson, Administrator
Jeanne Crump, Mower SWCD
Cody Fox, Mower SWCD-via Zoom
Jensen Bigelow, Mower SWCD Green Corps Employee
Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD
Dave Copeland, BWSR-via Zoom

Chairman Weis called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

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

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

Opposed: None

Introduce Green Corps Member
The board

Public Input

No public input.

Secretary's Report

The minutes were presented to the board from the September 15, 2021, board meeting. Olson made a motion to approve the September 15 meeting minutes. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

The board reviewed the Treasurer's report for October. Kiser made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Weis seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

The payables were reviewed with the board. Kraushaar made a motion to approve the payables for October. Merten seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Partners Reports

Dodge SWCD, Dave Livingston

Livingston updated the board on the new administrative assistant in the Dodge SWCD office.

BWSR, Dave Copeland

Copeland thanked staff for the assistance with the BWSR board September 23rd media event.

Action Items

Initiate Project #24-21 Red Rock 36

Fox explained the water quality and flood reduction project #24-21 Red Rock 36. Jones made a motion to initiate project #24-21 Red Rock 36. Funding for this project will come from the Hormel Foundation and Bonding dollars. Weis seconded the motion.

Crump led a roll call of votes.

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

Opposed: None

Discussion and Updates

Project near Wild Indigo

Hanson talked about the Wild Indigo project and issues involved.

First 1W1P Project in the Books

Hanson and Fox talked about the first project completed using the Cedar Wapsipinicon 1W1P grant funding. A video of before and after the project in Freeborn County was shown.

MAWD Conference

Hanson explained that MAWD will be having a virtual conference again this year.

Manager's Reports

Hormel Foundation Meeting

Hanson updated the board on the Hormel Foundation meeting that he and Fox attended today. They talked with the Foundation on the CRWD long term strategy plan.

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

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

Opposed: None

Next meeting will be Wednesday, November 17, 2021.

Submitted by,

Jim Gebhardt, Secretary, jkc