

Minutes of the Cedar River Watershed District
1408 21st Ave NW, Austin, MN 55912
Wednesday, October 16, 2024
Meeting held at the Mower SWCD office

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

Others Present: Cody Fox, Administrator
 Dave Livingston, Dodge SWCD

Chairman Merten called the board meeting to order.

Agenda

Jones made a motion to approve the October agenda. Gebhardt 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 September 18, board meeting. Jones made a motion to approve the minutes. Kiser seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Treasurer's Report

The board discussed the September month end reports. Weis made a motion to approve the September month end reports. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

The October payables report was reviewed with the board. Olson made a motion to approve the payables for October, check #s 4158-4165. Merten seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Action Items

Cost Share

| Contract # | Funding Source | Contract/ Payment Approval | Landowner | Twp/Sect | Project | Total Cost Share Rate/Other | Year | Total Estimate/ Cost/ Cost per year | Total Cost Share/ Incentive Payment | Date | Other Funding | L/O Cost |
|------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| CW22-24-10 | 319 Grant | PAYMENT | David Kiefer | Windom 4 | Grade Stabilization | 11% | | \$89,380.71 | \$9,497.91 | 10/16/2024 | \$75,413.86 | \$4,468.94 |
| | 319 Grant | PAYMENT | Richard Jax | Red Rock 30 | Cover Crops | 63 ac @ 35.00 | 3rd | \$2,205.00 | \$2,205.00 | 10/16/2024 | | |

Kiser made a motion to approve the cost share payment to David Kiefer for his grade stabilization project. The total cost of the project was \$89,380.71 and the 319 cost share payment at 11% is \$9,497.91. The remaining 84% of the grant will be funded by the Cedar Wapsipinicon 1W1P grant. Kraushaar seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Jones made a motion to approve the 3rd year cover crop incentive payment of \$2,205.00 for Richard Jax. Funding for the incentive payment will come from the 319 grant. Olson seconded the motion.

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

Opposed: None

Partners Reports

Dodge SWCD, Dave Livingston

Livingston updated the board on Dodge SWCD projects, state resolutions and cover crops.

BWSR, Dave Copeland

Copeland was not in attendance.

Discussion and Updates

RCPP Updates

Fox mentioned BWSR was anticipating hearing on RCPP funding for the water storage grant but due to so many applications, funding notices had been delayed. Fox will update when more news is available.

Project Video

Fox played a video put together by Tim Ruzek that was played to Mower County Commissioners. The video centered around flooding and our local projects.

Cedar/Wapsi 1W1P Updates

Fox updated that the 2022-2023 Cedar/Wapsi grant is expected to be utilized by the end of the year without needing an extension.

Manager's Reports

Chairman Report

No additional to report.

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

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

Opposed: None

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

Submitted by,

Jason Weis, Secretary, jkc