

MIDDLE FORK CROW RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
Board of Managers Meeting
January 18th, 2007 at 7:00 pm
Bell Tower Plaza
118 Lake Ave. N.
Spicer, MN 56288

PRESENT: Gordy Behm, Joseph Flanders, Robert Hodapp, Ruth Schaefer and Robert Zenner of the Board; Julie Klocker-Administrator; Kurt Deter-Attorney; Dennis Peterson and Richard Larson-Kandiyohi County Commissioners, Maggie Leach-MPCA and Harlan Meintz-Diamond Lake.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Hodapp at 7:00pm.
2. **Motion** was made J. Flanders and seconded by G. Behm to approve the agenda. The motion passed.
3. **Motion** was made R. Zenner and seconded by R. Schaefer to approve the 12-28-06 minutes with the noted change of name/affiliation of a public visitor. The motion passed.
4. **Treasurer Report-G. Behm**-see attached report.
Motion made by J. Flanders and seconded by R. Zenner to approve the Treasurers Report. The motion passed subject to audit.
5. **Motion** made R. Zenner and seconded by R. Schaefer to approve the January bills to pay. The motion passed. See attached report.

6. Grant Resolutions: Julie Klocker

6.1 Clean Water Legacy Act-Surface Water Assessment Grant

This grant is a collaborative effort with the CROW Joint Powers Board. A grant agreement will be sent out by the MPCA after they receive a resolution from this Board. The resolution and grant application will be sent to the MPCA, for their approval. After review and discussion a motion was made by R. Zenner and seconded by J. Flanders to introduce and accept Resolution **2007-01 Surface Water Assessment Grant**. The motion passed. See attached resolution.

6.2 Clean Water Partnership-Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Grant

The Kandiyohi SWCD Board met and designated the MFCRWD as the project sponsor of the CWP Grant. Grant funds of \$242,000 and loan funds of \$200,000 would be available to the Watershed District. 25% of the grant funds will be sent upon approval of the contract to help cover the cost of developing a work plan. Additional funds will be sent based on a project completion scale. A motion was made by R. Schaefer and seconded by G. Behm to introduce and accept resolution **2007-02 Clean Water Partnership Grant**. The motion passed. See attached resolution.

7. Review of the Draft Comprehensive Plan: Julie Klocker

The 60 day review period ends on February 5th and all comments need to be received prior to February 5th in order to be considered for the final draft of the Plan. J. Klocker and M. Sharp will review the comments and make changes in the draft as needed. It is hoped that the Board will be able to review the final version on February 8th and approve the Comprehensive Plan as soon as possible. Typographical errors were noted. Overall comments provided by the Board and the public were positive.

8. County Road 10 Project Update: Julie Klocker

J. Michels-EOResources, R. Reimer-SWCD and J. Klocker met to discuss the projects that could be started prior to the actual road construction. A walk through of the DNR land took place to discuss the possible location site of holding ponds. Jill and Riley Nelson (Green Lake resort owners) are interested in shoreline and slope restoration of their property. D. Peterson stated that State of MN aid money is available for sewer and water line upgrades. J. Klocker emphasized that the Watershed District is interested in assisting private land owners, where applicable, for water quality projects.

9. Medical Reimbursement Program: Julie Klocker

The Board reviewed and discussed the policy for the Medical Reimbursement Program. A motion was made R. Zenner and seconded by J. Flanders to approve the Medical Expense Reimbursement Program. The motion passed. See attached policy.

10. Administrator’s Report: J. Klocker

10.1 Review Calendar-January 26th, 2007 “CROW Organization Comprehensive Strategic Planning Meeting” will be held in Hutchinson. The meeting will be attended by G. Behm, R. Hodapp and J. Klocker.

January 25th-MN Office of the Legislative Auditors Report on Watershed Management-J. Klocker will attend.

February 8th –MFCRWD Board of Managers Meeting starting at 7:00 pm

March 5th and 22nd Rain Garden Workshops will be held at 6:00-9:00 pm

This workshop is a collaboration with the Shakopee Creek Watershed, and Kandiyohi and Stearns County SWCD’s. Each group will mail out brochures to their own constituents. The Advisory Committee will be invited and R. Schaefer asked that the area lake associations also be invited. J. Klocker stated that space is limited and implementation funds are available.

10.2 Grant update-See 1-16-07 green sheet and above noted resolutions

10.3 Diamond Lake Shoreline Project- A meeting was held (J. Bredberg-Kandiyohi County, R. Reimer-SWCD, L. Peterson-DNR and J. Klocker) to assess the degree of shoreline erosion and projects which would decrease erosion. The DNR would assist with planning and SWCD has offered to assist with riprap designs.

11. Public Comments: D. Peterson asked that J. Klocker update the Kandiyohi County Commissioners at an upcoming County Commissions meeting which are held at the KEC in Willmar. J. Klocker accepted the invitation and will attend a future meeting.

As no other business was brought before the Board a motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by R. Zenner to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Submitted by,

Ruth Schaefer
Secretary (draft 2-1-08)