

Middle Fork Crow River Watershed District
189 County Road NE
Spicer, MN 56288
October 6th, 2015

Present: B. Wing, G. Behm, R. Hodapp and R. Schaefer of the Board (absent J. Flanders); M. Johnson-Administrator; L. Christensen & J. Morales-Technicians; R. Imdieke-County Commissioner and B. Nelson-George Lake

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Chairman R. Hodapp.
2. The District Mission statement "We exist for the protection and preservation of water quality in the Middle Fork Crow River Watershed" was read by R. Hodapp.
3. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by G. Behm to approve the agenda. The motion passed 4-0.

Consent Agenda

4. Approve the minutes of the September meeting
5. Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by G. Behm and seconded by B. Wing to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 4-0.

Regular Agenda

6. Administrator's Report
 - a. Review of the Calendar-see calendar
 - b. Review of Project Status
 1. Accelerated Implementation Grant-J. Morales reported on the modeling conducted by Wenck staff. The modeling of city culverts, intersections, projected land use for BMP projects. The analysis portion will take approximately 1-2 years. The bedload and erosion study will assist in the prioritization of BMP's for the NL-S. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by G. Behm to approve the Accelerated Implementation Grant Scope of Services provided by Wenck Engineering. Staff will continue to work with Wenck until the grant requirements are complete. The motion passed 4-0.
 - a. Scope of Services WENCK-see above.
 2. CIP# 13-02 Diamond Lake TMDL Implementation, Hubbard, Schultz and Wheeler Implementation Activity-The final presentation was September 3rd; presenters were by Duck's Unlimited, DNR and N. Stowe of Houston Engineering. The County Commissioners determined that \$10,000 outlet fee would be assessed to the WD. This money would go into the ditch fund for CD#28 to be paid through the Hubbard Schultz Wheeler Capital Improvement fund. The deadline of October 2nd for the Public comment has passed. M. Johnson took all public comments/emails to the DNR office for Commissioner Landwehr's review and final decision.
 - a. Petition to Outlet -See above.
 - b. 103G.408 Public Hearing-Comment period October 2 deadline has passed.
 3. CIP#14-02 Diamond Lake Aquatic Plant Management-
 - a. Petitioner's Bond-The \$30,000 DALRA bond and interest were returned to the organization.
 - b. Kandiyohi County Diamond Lake Aquatic Plant Management Property Tax Levy Abatement-After Board discussion a motion was made by G. Behm and second by B. Wing to abate

the \$211 estimated yearly property tax for Kandiyohi County for the assessed benefits. The motion passed 4-0.

4. BWSR-CWF Drainage Water Quality Improvement

a. Brekke Bioreactor-L. Christensen presented information on the 80 x 20 ft bioreactor. The figures provided by the appraiser still need to be reviewed further by the WD. Once approved the project would be installed this fall. The bioreactors are checked after each significant rainfall. This project would treat approximately 14-20 acres. See design plan.

5. North Fork Crow 1W1P-The RFP is going out for bids and the deadline is November 4th, 2015.

c. Administrative Matters

1. K-1-15 Leither Wetland-L. Christensen reported on an initial meeting with the property owners. A first tier project would require an easement from the landowner with the WD. This project would treat a 14.3 acre area. Bollig Engineering has consulted on this project. The WD could obtain an easement to maintain the project/wetland management. Trees would need to be removed and a new upgraded water control structure would allow for holding within the wetland.

2. K-5-15 Brekke Wetland-This request is for a new control structure and final design. The cost is \$11,583.00 of which 75% (\$8687) would be paid by grant funds from the WD. A motion to approve K-5-15 Brekke Wetland project up to \$8687 by G. Behm and seconded by B. Wing. The motion passed 4-0.

3. K-6-14 Brekke Bioreactor-The total cost of the project is \$22,562.60 and \$10,339.79 is the amount remaining in the grant fund. Kandiyohi County Water Task Force has approved \$5631 and Diamond Lake TMDL fund approved \$924.16. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by G. Behm to approve the remaining grant fund balance of \$10,339.79 for K-6-14 project. The motion passed 4-0.

4. K-12-09 Park Lane-As discussed last month a tree on the shoreline was eroding the channel of the neighbors beach area. The landowner came to the WD requesting assistance. M. Johnson emailed the City of Spicer for assistance for their maintenance portion of the project. Total cost of tree removal and installation of riprap to be done by Land Pride was estimated \$3148. After further discussion by the board, a motion was made by R. Schaefer and seconded by G. Behm to approve up to \$1574 for the Park Lane project. The motion passed 4-0.

5. Landowner In-Kind Rates-See form which was reviewed by the board. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by G. Behm to approve the landowner in kind rates. The motion passed 4-0.

6. AIS Updates-Bonnie Nelson read a letter to the Board and requested a letter of support in the effort proposed by the MN COLA for mandatory inspection prior to launch. The proposal was discussed; no further action was taken.

7. MAWD Annual Meeting-December 3-5- Attending the annual meeting from the WD will be: B. Wing & R. Schaefer of the Board and all 3 staff members.

d. Follow up on September administrative matters

1. C.R.O.W.-Clean up the Crow-CROW and MFCRWD-J. Morales reported on the event which picked up of approximately 100 pounds of debris. Volunteers (15) worked the New London and Spicer area of the Middle Fork Crow River.

2. CAC Meeting-The Committee learned about the permitting process and other watershed topics. The small attendance was discussed along with possibly decreasing the number of meetings.

7. Legal Counsel Report-none

8. Public Access Forum-G. Behm asked about the progress of the Bible Camp parking lot M. Johnson stated she would call L. Post and report back on the time frame.

9. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by G. Behm to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 4-0 and the meeting ended at 8:52 pm.

Submitted by
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