

**MIDDLE FORK CROW RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING @ NEW LONDON TOWNSHIP HALL  
TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.**

**PRESENT:** James Haertel (Water Management Specialist) and Jeff Nielson (Regional Conservation Supervisor) of the Minnesota Board of Water & Soil Resources;

**Board Managers:** Gordy Behm, Robert Hodapp, Robert Zenner, Joseph Flanders and Ruth Schaefer;

**Guests** present were: Urban Spanier of the Stearns County Soil & Water Conservation District; Ann & Bill Latham, Tom Bonde, Greg Lecy and Norman Wenck of Wenck Associates.

**1. Election of Officers:**

A motion was made by Robert Zenner and seconded by Gordy Behm to nominate Robert Hodapp for the office of Chairman of the Board. The motion was accepted by Robert Hodapp. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Robert Hodapp and seconded by Joseph Flanders, to nominate Robert Zenner for the office of Vice President of the Board. The motion was accepted by Robert Zenner. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Robert Zenner and seconded by Robert Hodapp to nominate Ruth Schaefer for the office of Secretary of the Board. The motion was accepted by Ruth Schaefer. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Ruth Schaefer to nominate Gordy Behm as Treasurer and Joseph Flanders as Co-Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Robert Zenner. The motion was accepted by Gordy Behm and Joseph Flanders. The motion passed.

**2.** The second order of business was review of the Citizens Advisory Committee list. See attached list. A motion was made by Robert Zenner and seconded by Joseph Flanders to accept the Citizens Advisory Committee list. The motion passed.

**3.** The third order of business was to establish the meeting schedule. After discussion it was determined that:

A.) The 2nd Thursday of every month would be the regular meeting day, with more meeting dates scheduled as needed. The time and location will remain the same (Harbor Inn in Spicer at 7:00 p.m.) for now.

B.) Meeting notices will be posted on the New London Township Hall notice board. Notices will be sent to the following newspapers; Belgrade, Litchfield, Kandi Times-Spicer, Paynesville and the West Central Tribune-Willmar.

C.) Open meeting law was reviewed with James Haertel-BWSR.

D.) An agenda will be developed and presented at the May 12th meeting.

**4.** The fourth order of business was an overview of issues of interest to the managers:

A.) Interim administrative support was discussed. Offers of support were made by original members of the establishment committee. These offers of time and assistance will be pursued as projects warrant.

B.) Financial Issues: funds and loans available through the host county were explained by James Haertel-BWSR. James Haertel and Gordy Behm will contact Sam Modderman-Kandiyohi County Auditor for further details.

C.) James Haertel will contact Tom Fischer of BWSR and inform him of the May 12 meeting. Tom Fischer will be our regional BWSR contact. Tom's office is located in New Ulm.

As no further business was noted a motion was made Gordy Behm and seconded by Joseph Flanders to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting ended at 10:p.m.

Board members are reminded to meet at 6:30 pm at Bell Tower Plaza downtown Spicer to view the potential office space, prior to the May 12th meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,

Ruth Schaefer-Secretary