

MIIDDLE FORK CROW RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
June 9th, 2005 MEETING
7:00 pm HARBOR INN, SPICER

GUEST SPEAKERS: Diane Saunders- CROW Joint Powers Adm.
Matt Johnson -Mid-MN Development Commission (MMDC)
Gary Broman-Middle Fork Crow River Partnership

BOARD MEMBERS: Joe Flanders, Robert Hodapp, Gordy Behm,
Robert Zenner and Ruth Schaefer

Public: Ann Latham

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by R. Hodapp.

The minutes of the 5-26-05 meeting were approved. Motion was made by R. Zenner and seconded by J. Flanders to accept the minutes, the motion passed.

Diane Saunders, Administrator of the CROW Joint Powers provided a presentation on the on-going projects of the CROW. The CROW was established in 1999 and recently received a \$400,000 grant for a diagnostic study. She invited MFCRWD members to join in helping with the annual "Clean up the Crow River Day" on September 17, 2005.

Gary Broman provided a review of the Partnership activities (lake monitoring and an educational book). G. Broman requested funding for the educational book and inquired if the Watershed District would be ready to take over the lake monitoring. R. Hodapp requested that the Partnership continue with the lake monitoring through 2006. No action was taken on the educational book funding request. Gary Broman will send out a letter, stating that the Partnership will continue to manage this project.

Agenda Items:

#1- Lease Review. The final draft of the lease was reviewed by all managers. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by R. Zenner to approve the lease agreement. A check for \$200.00 for the damage deposit was provided by the Treasurer. The final version of the lease will be signed by R. Hodapp and R. Schaefer and notarized on 6-10-05. The lease and the check will be mailed to MOJO Properties on 6-10-05. A motion was made by J. Flanders, seconded by R. Zenner to approve the lease agreement. The motion passed.

#2-Insurance - The 3rd bid provided to G. Behm was similar to the first two received at an earlier meeting. A motion was made by R. Schaefer and seconded by J. Flanders to accept the offer from Pioneer Heritage Insurance LLC. R. Hodapp abstained. The motion passed. R. Schaefer will contact Lori Holmberg at Pioneer Heritage Insurance.

#3-RFP Attorney- Matt Johnson of MMDC prepared the request for an attorney. A motion was made by R. Zenner and seconded by J. Flanders to approve the RFP for an attorney and the press release. The motion passed. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by R. Zenner to authorize R. Hodapp and G. Behm to pre-interview the applicants. The motion passed.

#4- Legal boundaries- The legal boundaries of the Watershed District are being determined with the auditors of Pope, Stearns, Kandiyohi and Meeker counties. Sam Moddermann (Kandiyohi Treasurer) will borrow the Watershed District \$15,000 and assist with the legal boundaries. MMDC will continue to oversee this project.

#5- Request for speakers- R. Zenner will speak at the George Lake Association meeting and R. Schaefer will speak at the Green Lake Property Owners Association.

6- A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by R. Schaefer, for Ann Latham to make a key for the office for each Board member. The motion passed.

7- Ann Latham reported on the application process for office equipment through the state of MN. A. Latham, J. Flanders and R. Zenner will travel to Arden Hills to review and acquire office equipment on June 21st, 2005.

8- A motion was made by G. Behm and seconded by J. Flanders for A. Latham to acquire telephone and internet services for the office. The motion passed.

A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by R. Schaefer to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The meeting ended at 9:30pm.

Submitted by,

Ruth Schaefer
Secretary