

Middle Fork Crow River Water shed District

Board of Managers Meeting

August 7th, 2012

174 Lake Avenue North

Spicer, MN 56288

Present: J. Flanders, R. Hodapp, B Wing and R. Schaefer of the Board; C. Anderson-Administrator, V. Glieden-Henjum & M. Peeters-Technicians; J. Kolb-Legal; T, Fischer-BWSR; H. Brown-D. Drowd Associates; T. Johnson-NLI Association; R. Schneider and Frazee-GLPOA. Absent was G. Behm (Board).

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman R. Hodapp at 7:00.
2. The District Mission statement "We exist for the preservation of water quality in the Middle Fork Crow River Watershed" was read by R. Hodapp.
3. A motion was by J. Flanders and seconded by B. Wing to approve the agenda. The motion passed 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Approve the minutes of the July meeting.
5. Treasurer's Report
6. August bills to pay
7. Permit#12-04: Peterson shoreline on Green Lake
8. Permit#12-12: Knudsen addition on Long Lake
9. Permit#12-13: Lykken shoreline stabilization on Green Lake
10. Permit#12-14: Hammerschmidt shoreline
11. Permit#12-15: Hansel home construction

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

REGULAR AGENDA

12. Brekke/Dybevik Shoreland Restoration Projects: Discussion-H. Dybevik presented his concerns about the quality of the project installed last summer. The installed logs (cedar revetments) have not provided the stabilization which was intended with the project design. The adjacent Brekke property shows the same destabilization. Both property owners are requesting assistance from the WD for correction of the project deficiencies. Mr. Dybevik and Brekke request a cost share agreement arrangement with the WD to correct the project. The Board discussed the need to correct the project, which would involve the removal of the log structure, stabilize the shoreline, cut the anchors back/remove anchors and add rock riprap. C. Anderson stated he discussed the situation with M. Leach-MPCA; she stated that CWD Continuation funds could be accessed. The correction process would require a new contract. C. Anderson suggested a 50%-75% cost share agreement. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by B. Wing to approve a 75% cost share agreement up to \$2,400 of approved costs for the Dybevik property and \$2,100 for the Brekke property. The motion passed 4-0.

13. Cassmann/High Point Shoreland Restoration Projects: Discussion-The project was installed in 2009, and in spite of requested maintenance measures being taken by the Cassmans on their property, the vegetation has not been established as expected. The same is true on the adjacent High Point property,

though the appropriate maintenance has not been given. J. Kolb stated that technically both properties are out of compliance of their cost share agreement, though the difference is that on the Cassman property there has been a good will effort to provide the needed maintenance. Contractors have been contacted to provide quotes/ideas for addressing the issues. Due to the maintenance and efforts provided by the Cassmans, and the lack thereof on High Point in addition to the section of the project that was deliberately removed (a clear violation of the contract) the Board directed staff to procure final estimates for improvements that need to be made to get the Cassmans into compliance and the project more successful. V. Glieden-Henjum will obtain necessary bids for correction of this project and reach out to the owners. No action taken.

14. Aquatic Invasive Species Discussion: T. Frazee presented articles from the Star Tribune. See "Boat access on 2 lakes tightens to halt invasive species" and "Divers find invaders crowding Mille Lacs". The Minnehaha Creek Watershed District will be hearing similar options at their regular Board meeting.

15. Nest Lake Aquatic Plant Management Program update, 2013 budget-C. Anderson met with J. Peterson, T. Johnson and J. Ruter of Nest Lake Association and created a budget for Nest Lake. Overall, the budget will decrease next year. During the following years, it is hoped that the budget will continue to decrease slightly. Over 5,500 cubic feet of plant material has been removed this summer.

16. Administrator's Report:

16.a. Review Calendar-See calendar

16.b. Review of Project Status

16.b.1. Rain Barrel Program-pick up is scheduled 8/25<sup>th</sup> in Green Lake Mall parking lot.

16.b.2. 319 Grant Expiration 8-31-12 approximately \$12,000-13,000 is remaining, most of which will be spent in the two remaining projects.

16.c. Administrative matters

16.c.1. AIS Intern Program Update-M. O'Brien is done for now. M. Kueppers and J. Hunter are still working lakes within the WD. An oversight occurred with time spent on Games-Norway Lake.

16.c.2 Request for Program Funds: Calhoun Lake Association-D. Schmidt submitted a request for funds to purchase an easement from Mr. Williams who is asking \$15,000 for property connected to the County Ditch 26 project. The funding request needs further clarification and C. Anderson will contact D. Schmidt. No action taken.

16.c.3. September Board meeting was changed to Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup>.

16.c. 4. Project K-6-12 Meier Raingarden (Green Lake)-Project is located on Skyline Drive which has a drains a large basin. The WD will partner with Kandiyohi SWCD and the project cost is estimated at \$10,000. A motion was made by R. Schaefer and seconded by B. Wing to approve up to \$7,500 of approved costs for Project K-6-12. The motion passed 4-0.

16. c.5. Ducks Unlimited check for \$3650 for our portion of the feasibility study of the Diamond Lake Project was reviewed by the Board. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by J. Flanders to approve a check to DU for \$3650. The motion passed 4-0.

16.d. Follow up on July administrative matters.

16.d.1. New building update-A special meeting will be scheduled later this month.

16.d.2. DNR Block grant-a \$50,000 grant has been awarded and the WD has 2 potential projects.

16.d.3. Project K-1-12 Spicer Grit Chamber update-Project has been installed and 319 funds and BWSR funds were used for this project.

16.d.4. Project K-2-12 Duchene Raingarden also used 319 funds.

16.d.5. Project K-3-12 Bertram Shoreline on Diamond Lake is in place and just needs the planting and will be done soon.

16.d.6. Project K-1-08 Michaelis Shoreline update- The property owner has called C. Anderson and the need to fix the project was discussed. At the time of this meeting the project has yet to be fixed. The Board requested that the matter be referred to J. Kolb for legal review and possible action. T. Fischer-BWSR viewed the project site with V. Glieden-Henjum.

17. Legal counsel report-J. Kolb stated that he will send the link for the US Core of Engineering to C. Anderson for review. Topics include tiling and ditch law possible changes.

18. Public Access Forum- R. Schaefer stated the Kandiyohi COLA passed a motion to ask the County to create a county wide AIS program.

T. Fischer asked about the annual budget for the WD as it relates to the new building. C. Anderson will review this question with D. Drown and report back to the Board at the special meeting.

19. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by B. Wing to adjourn the meeting. The motion passes and the meeting adjourned at 9:38 pm.

Submitted by,

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