

Middle Fork Crow River Watershed District  
189 County Road NE  
Spicer, MN 56288  
August 2nd, 2016

Present: B. Wing; J. Flanders (7:35 pm) R. Hodapp and R. Schaefer of the Board; G. Behm-absent; M. Johnson-Administrator; S.& H. Meints-Diamond; M. Williamson, L. Duchene and R. Olness- Elkhorn; R. Imdieke-county Commissioner.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm 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 Chairman Hodapp.
3. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by R. Schaefer to approve the agenda. The motion passed 3-0.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

The July minutes were removed from the Consent Agenda. A motion was made by B. Wing and seconded by R. Schaefer to approve the July minutes. The motion passed 3-0.

R. Schaefer noted two errors in the Treasurers Report-the RMB entry and Rinke Noonan entry is switched. A motion made by B. Wing and seconded by R. Schaefer to amend and approve the amended Treasurer report. The motion passed 3-0

#### REGULAR AGENDA

6. Accelerated Implementation: Wenck Associates Inc.-A presentation was made by L. Jonett on the potential projects throughout the WD. Grant analysis of \$80,000 (performed by L. Christianson, J. Morales and L. Jonett) for the entire Middle Fork Crow River along with the cities of New London and Spicer. L. Jonett stated that the completion of the modeling allows for the WD to collaborate with new project partners. An example would be road upgrades designed with BMP projects for erosion control may reduce the overall phosphorus for less money than other projects. Grants will be requested once the report is completed. L. Jonett and J. Morales met with T. Guptill- New London to determine the time frame for potential projects. Discussed street renovations along with overall NL-S school addition/remodeling. The New London tree trench project only cost the WD \$4000 because it was done in conjunction of the school addition and renovation. A typical tree trench project of this size could cost \$150,000 if done by itself. County Ditch #20 may be a potential project and opportunity to partner with the County.

#### 7. Administrators Report

7.a. The WD calendar was reviewed-see calendar.

7.b. Review of project status-

7.b.1. Diamond Lake TMDL Implementation, Hubbard, Schultz and Wheeler Implementation Activity CIP#13-02. A permanent easement at a cost of \$100 was secured with the Hedke family. Buer family is still in process as all 9 members of the Buer family need to sign the document. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by B. Wing to approve the Hedke easement. The motion passed 4-0. Phase 1 scheduled to begin in October-November 2016 for bidding of the pipeline from Shultz and the stop logs in Shultz lake, R. Imdieke stated that "We should determine who owns the culvert by that time". And the stop log structure at the outlet of the chain of lakes under the County Highway 137 box culvert. R. Hodapp asked "Who will run the Project?". M. Johnson stated that currently the Project has a Technical Advisory Committee and they will be meeting regularly during drawdown and annually to discuss the project. The Phase II entails the installation the drainage structure which will be placed in between Schultz and North Wheeler and North Wheeler and S. Wheeler. The draw down should begin in the fall of 2017.

7.b.2. NFCRWD One Watershed One Plan-See the 2 maps reviewed by the Board. R. Hodapp asked R. Imdieke "How long does the WD stay involved in all of the meetings in the eastern end of the 1W1P district area?". R. Imdieke stated he met with Don Buckhout and it is possible that more funds may become available at the conclusion of the 1W1P project.

7.c. Administrative matters-

7.c.1. PRAP-Performance Review & Assistance Program-M. Johnson and J. Morales have completed their surveys. The board will be given a different survey for completion.

7.c.2. K-4-15 Bass Lake Access-the driveway area was tarred and the turnaround area remains gravel. The bid estimate was \$19,387.85 for rocks, vegetation, swale and a sediment basin. The WD cost would be \$14,540.88 or 75% of the project cost. Green Lake Township has approved the project. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by B. Wing to approve K-4-15 project. The motion passed 4-0.

7.c.3. 2017 Budget subcommittee-September Public Hearing-G. Behm and R. Hodapp will meet next week. The Nest and Diamond Lake Associations need to provide their expense projections. It was reported that both lake associations are seeing less CLPW (curly leaf pond weed).

7.d. Follow up on July administrative matters-City of Spicer the attorneys are still reviewing the rules document.

8. No legal counsel report

9. Public comment-Elkhorn Lake residents (L. Duchene, M. Wilken, M. Downs) reported on the low water levels for unknown reasons. The group has met with: DNR, Kandiyohi County and now the WD. Loren Engelby the Ditch Authority has been notified and is looking into the matter.

10. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by B. Wing to adjourn the meeting. The meeting ended at 8:27 pm.

Submitted by,

Ruth Schaefer  
Secretary