

**MIDDLE FORK CROW RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING  
Tuesday, May 1, 2018, 6:30 p.m.  
MFCRWD Office, 189 County Road NE, Spicer, MN**

Present: G. Behm, R Hodapp, B. Wing, R. Schaefer-absent-J. Hedtke of the Board; M. Johnson; J. Morales; D. Erickson-staff; J. Kolb-legal; R. Imdieke & M. Odens-Kandiyohi County; T. Ostendorf-BWSR; C. Meehan-Wenck Engineering and S& H Meints Diamond Lake.

- 1.The meeting was called to order by President R. Hodapp at 6:30.
- 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. Motion by G. Behm, second by B. Wing to approve the agenda. Motion passed 4-0.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve the minutes of the March 6, 2018 regular board meeting – *document for review (no minutes from April – meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum).*
2. Treasurer’s Report
  - a. 20180418 Treasurer’s Report – *document for review*
  - b. 20180430 Profit and Loss – *document for review*
  - c. 20180515 Treasurer’s Report – *document for review*
  - d. 20180501 Profit and Loss – *document for review*
  - e. 6 Permits approved administratively:
3. 18-05: Erosion control permit at 14950 E Calhoun Rd. Spicer MN – Owner Lee J Thompson – Agent Lee J Thompson – Construct detached garage.
4. Motion by G. Behm, second by B. Wing to approve the Consent agenda. Motion passed 4-0.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

7. Review of Project/Permit Status
  - a. Permit 18-04: Diamond Lake County Park Stormwater –D. Erickson reported that Wenck Engineering has reviewed the plan and all standards were met, for modeling and run off rates. Motion by B. Wing, second by G. Behm to approve Permit 18-04. Motion passed 4-0.
  - b. Permit 18-06: Diamond Lake Road Reconstruction – Exemption-D. Erickson reported that Kandiyohi County will be asking for an exemption. J. Kolb suggested that the Board not issue an exemption; it may be better to have the County use their NPDES permit and monitor the requirements of the project. See the map provided by the County. The NPDES permit requires silt fencing, erosion control and 100’ buffer control. The 100’ buffer for work near an impaired lake is a main concern. The project does not have enough space for a 100’buffer. M. Odens stated that the County will be applying for a separate NPDES permit for the County Park renovation. Motion made by B. Wing, second by G. Behm to approve Permit 18-06, with the condition that the requirements of the NPDES permit are met and the WD receive a copy of the Permit. Motion passed 4-0.
  - c. Diamond Lake TMDL Implementation, Hubbard, Schultz, and Wheeler Implementation Activity CIP #13-02- M. Johnson, stated that the M. Buer property is finished; see photos. Schultz lake was drawn down to 2 ft. All structures are in place. Schultz and N. Wheeler

will be drawn down in the fall. The DNR and WD will do a site visit in August. The permit for this project is only for 2 years.

- d. North Fork One Watershed One Plan
    1. Formal Review, Public Comment, Public Hearing –April 16<sup>th</sup> public hearing was held in Litchfield. CROW staff will be reviewing and respond to the comments.
    2. 90-Day Release to BWSR – Motion made by B. Wing, seconded by G. Behm to release the North Fork 1W1P to BWSR. The motion passed 4-0.
  - e. Accelerated Implementation Projects
    1. New London – Street Reconstruction and BMP Petition –The Board reviewed the reconstruction map. See the map of \$97,000 worth of possible projects from the Wenck study. The city of New London is considering petitioning the WD to implement technical projects. See the Wenck MFCRWD Water Quality Sub Watershed Assessment Stormwater Modeling Technical Report (3-10-2017). J. Kolb, discussed how these identified projects, could be funded. The City would like to implement their projects during the road construction. The cost would be \$41 million, if the WD to complete all projects independently (for both the City of Spicer and New London). A significant savings could occur if projects were done jointly. The City could be asked to provide the maintenance of such projects. Discussed the difficulty of paying for funding of the projects. Funding options-ad valorem tax funds could be accumulated over time. J. Morales stated that the WD has applied for Clean Water Funds, in the past, no funds were granted. City of New London and the WD have a good working relationship. The last project with New London (\$130,000 project cost); cost to the WD was only \$8,000 because the District installed the project in conjunction with a street reconstruction. Discussion by the Board for possible financing.
    2. CD 47 – Drainage Ditch Policy –M. Johnson reported that the Accelerated Implementation Grant was not received. The O. Johnson, property is of the highest concern, J. Morales met the Meeker County Ditch Inspector and discussed areas of concern. K. Kelbing is the new Inspector. Meeker County is currently updating their rules and working with Bolton & Menk.
8. Administrative Matters
- a. Activities Report & Calendar - See calendar.
  - b. Legislative-Citizen Commission on MN Resources Applications – LCCMR will not fund “private land projects”; cover crop grant and waterways grants were requested.
  - c. Liability Coverage – Waiver Form –Motion by R. Schaefer, second by B. Wing to approve the Liability Coverage Waiver Form. The motion passed 4-0.
  - d. MAWD – Legislative Update –See document for review.
  - e. MAWD Summer Tour –June 20-22 will be attended by M. Johnson and R. Schaefer.
  - f. Permit/Administrative Rules Workshop- Discussion by the Board; R. Hodapp suggested a subcommittee with the topics raised at the Board staff. Subcommittee will be formed.
  - g. Watershed District Capacity Self-Assessment- See document for the Board to complete and results will be reviewed by Administration to be discussed at the summer meeting.
9. Previous Administrative Matters
- a. Park Lane Project – M. Johnson will meet with the City Spicer staff, this Friday to discuss the project. The meeting will take place on site. M. Johnson stated that M. Johnson & J. Morales has met with City staff and reviewed pictures. J. Kolb reminded the Board that a letter sent to the City, asking the City to either release our obligations or correct the project.

- b. Earth Day at Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center -Reviewed events, including the online photo contest. The “Emerging Contaminants” activity was well received.
  - c. Manager Appointment Expiration April 2018: J. Hedtke, B. Hodapp – 3-year terms renewed for each; the oaths need to be completed at the next meeting.
10. Legal Counsel Report- No report.
  11. Public Access Forum-Street sweeping is scheduled in May for Kandiyohi and throughout the County. H. Meints stated that Diamond Lake had a late ice out on Diamond Lake.
  12. Adjourn Motion by G. Behm, second by B. Wing to adjourn. The motion passed 4-0. The meeting ended at 8:10 pm.

Submitted by,  
Ruth Schaefer-Secretary