

**MIDDLE FORK CROW RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF
MANAGERS MEETING**

September 4, 2018, 6:30 p.m.

MFCRWD Office, 189 County Road 8 NE, Spicer, MN

Present: Jay Hedtke, R. Hodapp, B. Wing, G. Behm, R. Schaefer-Board; M. Johnson-Adm; K. VanBruggen,-Legal; M. Larson-Spicer.

The Budget Public Hearing meeting was opened at 6:15 pm and closed at 6:30 pm.

1. The meeting was called to order by 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. A motion was made by B. Wing, second by J. Hedtke to approve the regular agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Approve the minutes of the August 7th regular board meeting – *document for review* Date of June correct
 5. Treasurer’s Report
 - a. 20180904 Treasurer’s Report – *document for review*
 - b. 20180904 Income & Expenses – *document for review*
 6. Permits approved administratively – none
- A motion was made by G. Behm, second by J. Hedtke to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed 5-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

7. Review of Project/Permit Status
 - a. Diamond Lake TMDL Implementation, Hubbard, Schultz, and Wheeler Implementation Activity CIP #13-02- M. Johnson reported on the tour which was held on August 21st. Approximately 55 people attended the tour. The Buer and Lilleberg families received a Ducks Unlimited print award. The drawdown will continue throughout September. The McKnight foundation is doing a story of the North Fork which will include of the HSW project.
 - b. North Fork One Watershed One Plan
 1. North Fork Crow River 1W1P local adoption –M. Johnson stated that the plan started in Oct 2014 with Houston Engineering, selected to work with the CROW to write the 1W1P. Public hearings were convened. A motion by to adopt the 1W1P was made by B. Wing, second by J. Hedtke. Motion passed 5-0. This document will act as MFCRWD Comprehensive Plan for the next 10 years.
 2. Memorandum of Understanding – M. Johnson stated that the document will be left as is, for the best interest of the North Fork 1W1P. Funds will be dispersed over time, if we don’t accept the MOU we would not be eligible for funds through 1W1P, although there are no guarantees how funds will be dispersed among the 13 entities. A motion by B. Wing, second by R. Schaefer to accept the MOU. The motion passed 5-0.
 - c. Accelerated Implementation Projects – New London -M. Johnson stated the Advisory Reports are required by BWSR and DNR, both agencies have a 30-day review period, By October, we should be able to accept the advisory reports. Comments will be forth coming by both agencies. Public meeting could be held in New London or at the WD office. The Engineering group Wenck and the New London engineer would most likely do

presentations for the public. The WD would not be accepting the project at the public meeting, informational only.

8. District Matters
 - a. CAC Membership-Danny Buer (Atwater farmer, became interested in WD projects during the HSW project) would like to be on the CAC. Motion to accept the appointment of D. Buer, was made by G. Behm, second by J. Hedtke. Motion passed 5-0.
 - b. Clean Water Fund applications -Application for 3 projects. The CD 47 Project which is the Middle Fork river in Meeker County. We asked for \$714, 000 of grant funds with \$233,000 in-kind funds. The 2nd Project was the New London Projects. We asked for \$272,000 in grant funds and \$70,000 in-kind funds. The 3rd Project was the Nest-Diamond Lake Internal Loading Project. We asked for \$65,000 in grant funds and \$16,250 in-kind funds. 13 Million is available from BWSR, we were close on the previous application process. . We could find out in 2019 for approval of 1 or all 3 or none, of our applications. This is a 3-year grant period; all projects are ready to go.
9. Previous District Matters
 - a. Adoption of Fiscal Year 2019 Budget-A motion to adopt the proposed 2019 Budget of \$681,700 of income and expenses of \$645,137 was made by B. Wing and second by J. Hedtke. The motion passed 5-0.
 - b. Park Lane-An email received from City of Spicer, stating they will contact M. Johnson with a potential plan. Two truck beds of sediment were removed by hand from this site.
 - c. After the Fact Permit Policy-M. Johnson reported that more information will be presented at a future meeting. The Policy is in development.
 - d. Building and Grounds-M. Johnson reported that the operation manuals, were reviewed and no mention of the need to reseal the brick was noted. The WD staff will monitor the building to ensure the block stays stable.
 - e. Budget Workshop: Presentation by T. Ostendorf -M. Johnson asked the Board if these types of presentations were helpful to the Manager. The Board agreed, the topics were informative and should continue.
 - f. Nest Lake dam outlet -M. Johnson stated that a meeting is scheduled with Mel Odens, Ethan Jensen, Skip Wright to Sept 24th to discuss the structure safety. The owner of the dam has died, and appropriate ownership should be discussed. The property and the dam are for sale. The maintenance is important to Nest Lake and Green Lake. In 2013 the water levels were unstable, and concerns were raised.
10. Board Manager Matters-None.
11. Previous Board Manager Matters
 1. Board meeting attendance code of conduct-A Policy was created and reviewed by the Board. See Policy.
12. Legal Counsel Report- None
13. Public Access Forum -M. Johnson stated the Clean Up the Crow will occur on Saturday the September 15th. R. Imdieke stated he was informed of a possible culvert problem. The culvert which drains from Alvig Slough outlet and crosses county road 10. The issue will need further investigation.
14. A motion to adjourn was made by J. Hedtke, seconded by B. Wing. The motion passed, and the meeting ended at 7:40 pm.

Submitted by,
Ruth Schaefer, Secretary