OFFICIAL MINUTES
CLEARWATER RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING
February 19, 2025 – 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   A regular meeting of the Clearwater River Watershed District was called to order at 6:00 PM, Wednesday, February 19, 2025 by Bob Schiefelbein.

   Attendees:
   Board: Schiefelbein, Uecker, Homuth, Cole, Tommerdahl
   Staff: Carlson
   CAC: Bruce Hall, Rose Thelen, Wes Boll, Greg Barley

2. **ADOPT AGENDA** Motion by Uecker second by Homuth to approve the agenda. ***Motion 25-2-1****: carried unanimously.*

3. **PRESENTATIONS** None.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

   a. Staff Notes
   b. Correspondence
   c. January 2025 Meeting Minutes

   Motion by Homuth, second by Cole to approve the consent agenda, ***Motion 25-2-2*** *carried unanimously.*

5. **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**
   a. Monthly Report- January 2025
   b. Phone Service Update- Manager Tommerdahl will initiate work to switch and provide an update in March.

   Motion by Homuth, second by Uecker to pay bills and approve financial report subject to audit. ***Motion 25-2-3*** *carried unanimously.*

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

   a. Carp Management Update – Staff reviewed findings of the Carp Studies and reported the AIS Forum covering the carp work will be presented March 31, 2025 and Carp Solutions will provide a presentation. Staff will continue to coordinate with Carp Solutions on recommendations for next steps at the direction of the Board of Managers.
   b. 1W1P Update – Staff updated the Board of Managers on the efforts to re-engage with the 1W1P and shared correspondence from Attorney Holtman and the BWSR. Managers directed staff to relay Holtman's findings to BWSR and Minnesota Watersheds and legislative reps as appropriate but no further funds will be invested.
   c. WWTP Repairs- Staff reviewed repairs needed in multiple systems. Motion by Uecker, second by Homuth to authorize $9,600 for replacement of old pump with new pump and to work with Tri State on keeping the old pump for parts. ***Motion 25-2-4*** *carried unanimously.*

d. Beaver Management Update- Staff shared both an email detailing proposed additional spring services from the beaver management firm used in 2024 as well as a new company that has formed out of U of MN researchers to manage beaver populations differently. No action at this time, staff will be reaching out to the new contacts provided by Board members for a spring recommendation/ scope.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**
   a. Wake Surfing Notice- Staff relayed new findings on wake surfing study findings and recommendations as well as MNCOLA work.

   b. Cedar Lake Development Review Request/ Comments. Staff relayed development plans and comments on a development on the shore of Cedar Lake. Motion by Cole, second by Uecker to authorize staff to provide support to minimize impacts due to erosion and development on site. Funds for the review provided by staff prior to the meeting and meeting attendance will come from the general fund as is practice; further funds for preserving the tax payer investment in Cedar Lake through comments on the development will be funded through 215. ***Motion 25-2-5*** *carried unanimously*.
   c. Planning 2025- Managers, CAC members present and Staff reviewed the 2024 plan and 2025 plan. The group provided direction. Staff will finalize the plan based on direction received and provide the final plans at the March 2025 meeting.

8. **OTHER BUSINESS-** None.
9. **MANAGER REPORTS**- None.
10. **ADJOURNMENT**
    Motion by Homuth to adjourn. Chair Schiefelbein adjourned the meeting at 7:46 pm.

Chair Robert Schiefelbein

Secretary Dawn Cole