Clearwater River
WATERSHED DISTRICT

Agenda- Regular Board of Managers Meeting
December 18, 2024 – 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADOPT AGENDA
3. PRESENTATIONS
4. CONSENT AGENDA
    a. Staff Notes
    b. Correspondence
    c. November 2024 Meeting Minutes
5. MONTHLY FINANCAL REPORT
    a. Monthly Report – November 2024
    b. Phone Service Update
6. OLD BUSINESS
    a. Swartout Lake
    b. Septic Permit Renewal
    c. Clear Lake Update
    d. Carp Management Update
    e. Ag Cost Share Question
7. NEW BUSINESS
    a. Lake Report Cards
8. OTHER BUSINESS
9. MANAGER REPORTS
10. ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming:
Public Hearing Clear Lake January 15, 2025 6pm
Regular Board Meeting January 15, 2025 6pm
2025 Annual Planning- TBD (February Likely)

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES
CLEARWATER RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING
December 18, 2024 – 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
   A regular meeting of the Clearwater River Watershed District was called to order at 6:04 PM, Wednesday, December 20, 2024 by Bob Schiefelbein.

   Attendees:
   Board: Schiefelbein, Uecker (arrived 6:25pm), Homuth, Cole, Tommerdahl
   Staff: Carlson, Weston
   CAC: Bill Langenbacher
   Guests: Shannon Lund

2. **ADOPT AGENDA** Motion by Homuth second by Cole to approve the agenda as edited. ***Motion 24-12-1****: carried unanimously.*

3. **PRESENTATIONS-** None.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

   a. Staff Notes
   b. Correspondence
   c. November 2024 Meeting Minutes

   Motion by Homuth, second by Cole to approve the consent agenda, ***Motion 24-12-2*** *carried unanimously.*

5. **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**
   a. Monthly Report- November 2024
   b. Phone Service Update- None

   Motion by Uecker, second by Homuth to pay bills and approve financial report subject to audit. ***Motion 24-12-3*** *carried unanimously.*

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

   a. Swartout Lake -- Carlson provided details on data submitted by Al Wolf of Swartout Lake documenting with Google Earth air photos of algal blooms originating from the island due to the high bird population coinciding with wind direction for the day. Staff presented a conceptual improvement of floating silt curtain around the island with alum treatment at the end of season prior to removal to sequester nutrients emitting from the birds. Managers and staff discussed. Board directed staff to determine ownership of the island (likely BLM or DNR). Other possibilities discussed were grants for unique condition; Mille Lacs Islands were mentioned.
   b. Septic Permit Renewal- Motion by Uecker second by Homuth to approve the Septic Permit Renewal. ***Motion 24-12-4*** *carried unanimously.*
   c. Clear Lake Update-Carlson reviewed the resident letter and public notice with staff and provided an update on costs.
   d. Carp Management Update- No update available.

e. Ag Cost Share Question – staff relayed a question on nutrient application and if it qualifies for the low disturbance cost share. Board members said not likely, but if the landowner showed a photo of the applicator and the before/ after for application, in some settings it may be a counted as low disturbance.

7. **NEW BUSINESS-** Lake report cards were reviewed with Board and will be posted to the web site.
8. **OTHER BUSINESS-** a few FYI only items received after agenda was set

   a. Preserving MN Waters Virtual Lecture Series Shared with Board
   b. Star Tribune salt article shared with Board
   c. Wandering Ponds Outlet A property tax exemption shared with Board, staff can take care of it.
   d. Letter from 1W1P inviting CRWD to join the process. Board directed staff to confer with Jason at BWSR.
9. **MANAGER REPORTS**- Manager Uecker reported on his attendance at MAWD.
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Homuth to adjourn. Chair Schiefelbein adjourned the meeting at 7:28 pm.

Chair Robert Schiefelbein

Secretary Dawn Cole
For Dawn Cole