Clearwater River
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CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING –
FINAL AGENDA
Thursday, March 7, 2024 – 7:00 PM Via Zoom

1. Call to Order by Chair Rose Thelen
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Adopt December 2023 minutes
4. Administrative Updates:
    a. CAC Members- Introduce & Welcome New Members
5. Staff update to CAC
    a. General Update
    b. 2024 Plan Update
    c. Rough Fish Management Update
    d. Chloride Update
6. Old Business
7. 2024 Tour Discussion/ Plan
8. Member Reports
9. Future Agenda Items: (discussion)
10. Adjournment

Proposed Upcoming CAC Meetings:	**Upcoming Board of Manager Meetings:**
Tour- TBD	March 20, 2024, 6 pm
Thursday, August 15, 2024 7pm BUDGET	April 17, 2024, 6 pm
Thursday November 14, 2024, 7pm Via Zoom	May 15, 2024, 6 pm
February 2025	June 19, 2024, 6 pm

Packet Materials:

- Draft minutes from the December 2023 CAC meeting
- CARP Solutions Report

Clearwater River Watershed District --Citizen's Advisory Committee

March 7, 2024 CAC Meeting for Clearwater River WD

7pm Via ZOOM

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Rose Thelen (Bass), Greg Bartley (Marie), Wes Boll (Augusta), Bill Langenbacher (Clearwater River), Rebecca Carlson

1. Call to Order by Chair Rose Thelen at 7:03
2. Adopt Agenda. *Motion by Greg 2nd by Wes to adopt agenda as edited all in favor.*
3. Adopt December 2023 minutes. *Motion by Greg 2nd by Rose to adopt minutes all in favor.*
4. Administrative Updates:
    a. CAC Members- Introduce & Welcome New Members
        i. Wes: Augusta northwest side of lake in Wright County next to Jack Gleason, Knows the Watershed, Wetland Ecologist
        ii. Bill: Retired, on Clearwater River down 2 miles from Clearwater Lake near 140th Street for 8 years. Before that Clearwater Twp admin board. Concerns over zebra mussel and EWM in the river and interested in Chain of Lakes.
        iii. Greg: Lake Marie, full time since 2016, owned since 1988, Wife LuAnne, 2 grown kids and grandbabies. Water quality in the lake/ district.
        iv. Rose: Nixon Lake, was on County Board/ commissioner in Wright. Retired. Daughter 53, lives in HI. Interest in water quality, enthusiastic.
5. Staff update to CAC
    a. General Update—Ice Out, Weird Weather, Clear Lake, request from 1w1p to add alum treatments to WBIF requests (staff will share memo).
    b. 2024 Plan Update (basically same as what they saw in December 2023).
    c. Chloride Update & discussion. Greg provided clarification on Bruce's request. Staff briefed the CAC on tools available through MPCA. CAC would like more proactive management of chloride. Staff proposed first determining what was currently done and if there are any gaps and if counties/ townships are taking advantage of existing tools and reporting to the Board and CAC.
    d. Rough Fish Management Update
6. Old Business – The group discussed the following topics with updates from staff.
    a. Nanobubbles- Staff updated the CAC on this technology they may hear about.
    b. Web site: CAC members discussed web site noting Lake Report Cards are posted on what's new in the district, recommended a permanent place on the ribbon for Lake Report Cards; need to post the 2023 annual summary and send link; still interested in seeing the financials via pie chart not just on the annual report. Noted the 2020-2030 drop down list of projects not current. Recommended separating the current / from historical.
    c. Staff provided an update on office space decision.

7. 2024 Tour Discussion/ Plan—Set June Date, consider expanded invite list, post at expos, posting more broadly. These are the recommendations/ requests of the CAC. Staff will take these to the Board and receive their direction and respond to the CAC.
    a. Broader invite to get more people
    b. Bigger vehicle (school bus)
    c. Snacks lighter, school bus
    d. Hold in June after lake association meetings – End of June
    e. $2,500 proposed as budget (staff should get bus costs)
8. Member Reports
    a. Rose: involved in the Excel power line transmission letters Clearwater Twp involved heavily for the 3 proposed lines. Lyon county by Marshall up to Becker MN
    b. Bill: Zoom or in person? Group determined the August meeting would be in person at the District office.
9. Future Agenda Items: (discussion)- Covered in old business
10. Adjournment motion by Greg, 2nd by Bill, Chair Thelen adjourned the meeting at 8:18pm.