



**Agenda- Regular Board of Managers Meeting
February 15, 2023 – 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADOPT AGENDA
3. PRESENTATIONS
 - a. 2023 Planning Session- CAC Invited for Discussion
 - i. 2023 Monitoring Plan Recommendation for Board Consideration
 - ii. 2023 Project, Program Recommendation for Board Consideration
4. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. January 2023 Regular meeting minutes
 - b. Correspondence & Staff Notes
5. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT
 - a. Monthly Report – January 2023
6. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Carp Management Scopes
 - b. Clear Lake Update
 - c. Kingston Maintenance Update
 - d. Wandering Ponds Update
 - e. Education Cost Share- Kimball High School
7. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Data Request: Dr. Alex Bajcz, staff Quantitative Ecologist for the Minnesota Aquatic Invasive Species Research Center (MAISRC) at the University of Minnesota requesting Plant Survey Data
 - b. Election of Officers
 - c. Designation of Legal Publication
 - d. Designation of Mileage Rate
 - e. MAWD 2023 Membership
8. OTHER BUSINESS
9. MANAGERS REPORTS
10. ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming:

March 15, 2023, 6:00pm - Regular Board Meeting
February 16, 2023 7:00pm- CAC meeting
Audit Field Work Begins May 10, 2023
Thursday April 6, 2023 5:00-6:30pm AIS Forum
Tentative June 8, 2023 3pm-6pm- CAC Tour

OFFICIAL MINUTES
CLEARWATER RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS BUDGET HEARING
February 15, 2023 – 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting for the Clearwater River Watershed District was called to order at 6:05 PM, Wednesday, February 15, 2023 by Chair Schiefelbein.

Attendees:

Board Members- Chris Uecker, Dale Homuth, Dawn Cole, Bob Schiefelbein, Paul Degree

Staff- Rebecca Carlson

CAC- Greg Bartley, Bruce Hall

2. **ADOPT AGENDA** Motion by Homuth second by Uecker to adopt the agenda as edited.
Motion 23-02-1 carried unanimously by roll call.

3. **Presentations.**

Planning Session- Staff presented draft monitoring, project and program recommendations. Board discussed the presentation and solicited input from meeting attendees. Board provided direction to staff. Staff will present CAC input and second draft of 2023 plan at March 2023 meeting for Board consideration.

4. **Consent Agenda.** Motion by Uecker, second by Cole to adopt the consent agenda.
Motion 23-02-2 carried unanimously by roll call.

5. **Monthly Financial Report.** Motion by Homuth, second by Cole to accept the financial report subject to audit and pay bills. **Motion 23-02-3** carried unanimously by roll call.

6. **Old Business.**

- a. Carp Management- Carlson provided the final scopes from Carp Solutions after input from Board and stakeholders.

-The CAC submitted a motion strongly in favor of more aggressive Carp Management in the District.

- Multiple lake association leaders have expressed strong support for and a request for the District to more aggressively manage rough fish/carp using fund 210 for the chain of lakes.

-Manager Cole expressed reflections of leadership of the Cedar Lake Conservation Club that were strongly in favor of the expenditure from fund 215 for work in the Cedar Subwatershed to reduce carp populations in order to improve water quality by first evaluating the feasibility through the scoped study.

Motion by Homuth, second by Uecker to authorize Chair Schiefelbein to sign contracts provided by Holtman with Carp Solutions Scopes. **Motion 23-02-4** carried unanimously by roll call.

- b. Clear Lake Update- staff updated the Board on Clear Lake project progress.

- c. Wandering Ponds Update- Commissioner Bertram, having attended the January Board meeting where Wandering Ponds Nitrogen mitigation was discussed, reached out to Environmental Services to facilitate coordination.
 - i. Environmental Services is not likely to require nitrogen mitigation at this upcoming permit renewal.
 - ii. The system will remain under Stearns Environmental Services permitting, and not require permitting at the State level.
 - iii. The District ownership of the tax forfeit parcel is preferred by Stearns County would be the most cost-effective for the residents as it would be tax free.
- d. Education Cost Share – Kimball High School 2023 Motion by Homuth, second by Degree to authorize a match to the Sauk River Watershed District Contribution to the Kimball Highschool request, \$2,750. **Motion 23-02-5 carried unanimously by roll call.**

7. New Business.

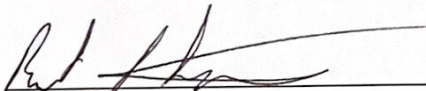
- a. Staff updated board on an information request.

8. Other Business.

- a. Election of officers- Motion by Homuth, second by Cole to select the slate of officers as follows:
Schieffelbein-Chair
Uecker- Vice Chair
Homuth- Treasurer
Cole- Secretary
Motion 23-02-6 carried unanimously by roll call.
- b. Designation of Legal Publication- Motion by Uecker, second by Cole to designate the Annandale Advocate as the legal publication for the District in 2023. **Motion 23-02-7 carried unanimously by roll call.**
- c. Mileage Rate- Motion by Uecker, second by Homuth to use the Federal Mileage Rate for the District in 2023. **Motion 23-02-8 carried unanimously by roll call.**
- d. MAWD Membership Dues- Motion by Homuth, second by Uecker to pay the MAWD (Newly Named Minnesota Watersheds) Dues for 2023 of \$4,592. **Motion 23-02-9 carried unanimously by roll call.**

9. Manager Reports. None

- 10. Adjourn** Motion by Homuth to adjourn. Chair Schieffelbein adjourned the public meeting at 7:27 pm


Robert Schieffelbein, Board Chair


Dawn Cole, Board Secretary