

Final Agenda –Regular Board of Managers Meeting March 16, 2022 – 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ADOPT AGENDA
3. PRESENTATIONS
 - a. Clear Lake -
 - b. 1W1P Update
 - c. Annual Water Quality Presentation
4. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. February 2022 Regular meeting minutes
 - b. Correspondence
 - i. Clear Lake Letter to Residents
 - ii. BWSR Correspondence on 1W1P Impact on CRWD
 - c. Final Maintenance Report (2018-2021, Plan for 2022)
 - d. Sanitary System Update
 - e. Staff Memo
 - i. AIS Virtual Meeting Update
 - ii. Update on Watkins Stormwater
 - iii. Clear Lake Update
 - iv. 1W1P / WRAPS update
5. MONTHLY FINANCAL REPORT
 - a. Re-issue Tim Rice – Lost Check
 - b. Monthly Report – February 2022
6. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. CWH / HR Update
 - b. Wandering Ponds
 - c. Annual Plan of Work Update
 - d. Stearns SWCD Meeting
7. NEW BUSINESS
8. OTHER BUSINESS
9. MANAGERS REPORTS
10. ADJOURNMENT

Upcoming Meetings:

March 29, 2022 1W1P Policy Committee
April 7, 2022 Via Zoom CRWD AIS Forum
April 14, 2022 7pm CAC Meeting
April 16, 2022, Clear Lake Property Owners Meeting
April 20, 2022 6pm CRWD Regular Board Meeting

Upcoming Agenda Items:

Cedar Lake 15 Year Evaluation, Nano Bubble, Policy Book, Carp Management – Louisa Marie/ Chain, CRP Cost Share- Dale VanNurden CR 17 Erosion Update

OFFICIAL MINUTES

CLEARWATER RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING

March 16, 2022 – 6:00 PM
VIA TELECONFERENCE

1. **CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Clearwater River Watershed District was called to order at 6:05 PM, Wednesday, March 16, 2022 by Chairman Schiefelbein via teleconference.

Attending via teleconference: Robert Schiefelbein, Chris Uecker, Dale Homuth, Dawn Cole, Rebecca Carlson, Kristine Jenson, Steve Christopher, BWSR and Bruce Hall, Clear Lake Resident.

2. **ADOPT AGENDA** Motion by Homuth, second by Degree to adopt the agenda as edited.
Motion 22-03-1 carried unanimously by roll call.

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

Clear Lake: Carlson provided an update on accomplishments from the 3/15/2022 Zoom meeting with Clear Lake Property Owners (CLPO) Chair Denise DeJuliannie and Clear Lake resident Ron Graham, and from staff attendance at the CLPO Zoom Board meeting later in the day on 3/15/2022. Discussion included anticipated maintenance levy and costs for the project. Agreement that the costs were in alignment with what has been discussed at previous Board meetings in late 2021 and early 2022 with CLPO representatives present at these meetings and were provided in writing late January 2022 with a request for review. Staff and CLPO also went over the process for petition. Excellent forward progress was achieved on 3/15/2022, their formal petition is expected at our April 2022 meeting.

Resident Bruce Hall then gave a presentation to the CRWD Board. He noted he was presenting on behalf of the people listed above, and voiced concerns about maintenance costs and the petition process. which were successfully discussed 3/15/2022 with others. Staff communicated that these issues had been discussed at the meetings on 3/15/2022. The Board and staff re-iterated the information previously provided and reviewed the statutory requirement for maintenance costs and the petition requirements.

2021 Water Quality Presentation: Carlson presented the water quality results for 2021 and some natural resource highlights, including dramatically improved fisheries from Louisa and School Section. Motion by Cole Second by Homuth to accept 2021 water quality report and lake report cards and have them posted to the web site. ***Motion 22-03-2 carried unanimously by roll call.***

1W1P Update and Discussion: Carlson presented staff and Attorney Holtman's concern over the BWSR proposed plan adoption paradigm for 1W1P. Holtman indicates statutorily speaking, District abilities and authorities stem from the CRWD's BWSR approved plan. Adopting the 1W1P in place of CRWD's own plan would mean CRWD existed merely to maintain and operate existing projects. Local planning would be relegated to county/swcd staff and elected officials largely outside the District. Residents petitioned to form CRWD decades ago and they've paid annually because they value the work this agency has done over the years. They have a reasonable expectation for a high level of service and local direction of funds and activities to locally prioritized resources. The 1W1P paradigm removes local control. Board Conservationist Steve Christopher was in attendance and expressed support for the valuable work CRWD has done and the accomplishments of the agency. He stated he will work with CRWD to come to a resolution.

The Board's direction at this point is to adopt the 1W1P as an addendum/appendix to the existing recently approved CRWD plan, keeping CRWD plan fully in place. Christopher indicated this would mean no 1W1P funding for CRWD.

CRWD specifically does not wish to stall this process for the planning group partners.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. February 2022 regular meeting minutes
- b. Correspondence
- c. Final Maintenance Report
- d. Watkins Stormwater Construction Update
- e. 1W1P Update, WRAPS Update

Motion by Homuth second by Uecker to accept the Consent Agenda with the caveat that staff will review and approve the lowest responsive and balanced quote for the Watkins stormwater maintenance project. **Motion 22-03-3 carried unanimously by roll call.**

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. **MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT – March 2022** Carlson summarized the monthly financial report for the Board. Staff communicated with Septic Check to provide final documents so that check can be released. There will also be a check reissue for a lost check, but Amy is working on it. **Motion 22-03-4 by Homuth second by Cole to approve March paper and electronic checks, and financial report subject to audit. Motion carried unanimously by roll call.**

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. CWH/ HR Update- Carlson updated Managers on increasing costs for chemical feed, no system clogs/ pump faults this month.
- b. Annual Plan of Work- the staff recommended adding updating easements to the Annual Plan of Work. Motion by Homuth second by Degree to approve the change to the annual plan of work. *Motion 22-03-5 carried unanimously by roll call.*

- c. Stearns County SWCD Meeting Update- Carlson updated the Board on the quarterly meeting with Stearns SWCD.
- d. Wandering Ponds Costs- Staff updated Board on nitrogen mitigation costs.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None.

8. OTHER BUSINESS


None.

9. MANAGER REPORTS


None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Cole to adjourn. Second by Homuth. ***Chair Schiefelbein adjourned the meeting at 7:46 pm.*** The next meeting of the CRWD board will be held April 20, 2022 at 6:00 PM via teleconference.



Chair Robert Schiefelbein



Secretary Dawn Cole