

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
CLEARWATER RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT  
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING  
JUNE 15, 2022 – 6:00 PM  
CRWD OFFICE – ANNANDALE, MN**

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Clearwater River Watershed District was called to order at 6:01 PM, Wednesday, June 15, 2022 by Dale Homuth at Clearwater River Watershed District Office, 93 Oak Avenue South, Annandale MN 55302.

Virtual Attendees: Chris Uecker, Dale Homuth, Paul DeGree, Dawn Cole, Rebecca Carlson, Ann and Frank Drops (Clearwater Lake), Bruce Hall (Clear Lake, CAC- Sportsman Club), Michael Robben, (Kimball Resident – TH 15 concerns). Bob Schiefelbein had an excused absence.

- 2) **ADOPT AGENDA** Motion by DeGree, second by Cole to adopt the agenda as amended.  
**Motion 22-6-1:** *carried unanimously by roll call.*

3) **PRESENTATIONS**

a) **Clear Lake Resolution Consideration**

Motion by Degree, second by Cole to adopt resolution 02-2022 in favor of establishing the Clear Lake Restoration Project 2022-01. **Motion 22-6-2:** *carried unanimously by roll call.*

b) **Hydrology Update, Comments by Resident Frank Dropps on Clearwater Lake**

Staff provided an update on hydrology. Mr. Dropps asked if there was an obstruction of the Clearwater River downstream of Grass Lake. Staff inspected this section of the river and did not find an obstruction. Mr. Dropps questioned the operation of the DNR dam at Grass Lake and requested a study to let more water out of Clearwater Lake, faster. Board and Mr. Dropps discussed the feasibility and requirements to change lake levels and of a dam study and dam replacement and lake level management. No action was taken by the Board of Managers.

c) **TH15 MNDOT Project in Kimball**

Staff provided an update on the Kimball stormwater work by MNDOT for TH15 reconstruct and summarized the impact to the Kimball Phase I and Phase II projects done to manage stormwater and protect Willow Creek. Advised also about the re-route damage to Mr. Robben's septic drain field and potential increase of oxygen demand to the stream. Mr. Robben voiced his concerns. The Board of Managers directed staff to continue to work with MNDOT, BWSR, City and DNR to come to a solution that protects the benefits and capacity of stormwater and natural resource infrastructure installed in Kimball Phase I & II projects. Mr. Robben thanked the managers.

4) **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a) May 2022 Regular meeting minutes  
b) Correspondence & Staff Notes

- i) 2022 Monitoring
- ii) Hydrology Update
- iii) 1W1P / WRAPS update
- iv) Clearwater Harbor Update
- v) Bog Update
- vi) Tax Abatement Resolution

Motion by Cole, second by DeGree to adopt the consent agenda as presented.

**Motion 22-6-3:** carried unanimously by roll call.

## 5) MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

- a) **Monthly Report- May 2022** Motion by Cole, second by Uecker to approve the financial reports subject to audit, and pay bills as presented. **Motion 22-6-4:** motion passed unanimously by roll call.

## 6) OLD BUSINESS

- a) **CWH / HR Update** – Staff provided an update on electrical failure, subsequent pump clog and capacitor failure as well as required locator work for highway project. Staff already approved the locate work given the tight timeline to protect the sanitary sewer infrastructure. Board verbally approved of work.
- b) **1W1P Update-** Staff gave an update on discussions with BWSR regarding planning authority and adopt and replace. Board gave direction to add this to the agenda for July 2022 so that all Board members can discuss and determine course of action.
- c) **Drone Equipment and Flow Meter Update** Staff presented cost and needs for the purchase of a new flow meter for monitoring projects. Motion by Cole, second by Homuth to add \$3500 for a flow meter to the amount previously approved. **Motion 22-6-5:** carried unanimously by roll call.

Staff indicated that Resilience Resources would purchase a drone, license, and train staff so that this service would be available for District use and inspections.

## 7) NEW BUSINESS

- a) **Bog Update** -Staff provided an update on bog fund activity. Managers Schiefelbein and Homuth have been coordinating on this with staff continuously and will continue to do so as the situation evolves.

## 8) OTHER BUSINESS

- a) **Audit-** staff directed Board to the Draft Audit report in the packet, and relayed comments from the Auditor that the Audit went very well this year and JASS was well prepared. Auditor will present the Audit to the Board at the July meeting where the annual report (draft previously provided) will be considered by the Board for submittal to BWSR.
- b) **Cormorants** Motion by Cole, second by Uecker. **Motion 22-6-6:** carried unanimously.

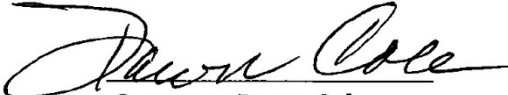
**9) MANAGERS REPORTS**

- a) Paul Degree is not planning to continue on as a Manager, however the timeline is uncertain. He will not leave until a suitable replacement is located.

**10) ADJOURNMENT** Motion by DeGree, second by Uecker to adjourn at 7:41pm. **Homuth adjourned the meeting at 7:41pm.** The next meeting of the CRWD board will be held July 20 at 6:00 PM.



Chair Robert Schiefelbein



Secretary Dawn Cole