

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
CLEARWATER RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2023 – 6:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Clearwater River Watershed District was called to order at 6:02 PM, Wednesday, December 20, 2023 by Bob Schiefelbein.

Attendees:

Board: Schiefelbein, Uecker, Cole, Homuth, Tommerdahl

Staff: Rebecca Carlson, Olive Weston

2. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Cole, second by: Homuth to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion 23-12-1: carried unanimously

3. PRESENTATIONS

- a. Project 210 refresher

Carlson provided a refresher on the origin of benefit allocations of the 210 project and shared a memo staff prepared to address a resident question about it. The memo will be included in the January Packet.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. November 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- b. Correspondence & Staff Notes

Motion by Cole, second by Uecker to approve the November meeting minutes,

Motion 23-12-2: carried unanimously

5. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

- a. Monthly Report- Nov 2023
- b. Wright County Final Levy Certification

Discussion:

Tommerdahl requested investigation into Windstream invoices, noting a recent litigation over excessive charges. Carlson + Tommerdahl will review and report back.

Motion by Homuth, second by Uecker to approve all bills except the voided Chain of Lakes. **Motion 23-12-3: carried unanimously**

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Office Rent Increase - Landlord proposed increase in office space rent from \$750 to \$950 for a 5-year lease. Staff reviewed alternatives with the Board.

Motion by Homuth second by Cole to move into 5-year lease agreement at current location for \$950/month

Motion 23-12-4: carried unanimously

- b. Wandering Ponds Update
Motion by Homuth, second by Uecker to accept the Stantec Phase I ESA Report and to approve **Resolution 2023-02** to purchase the Wandering Ponds Outlot. **Motion 23-12-5: carried unanimously.**
- c. Clear Lake Update – Carlson indicated no motion on landowner agreements. Proposed and Board supported moving forward with a variable / operable weir to allow for further inundation on the north wetland if landowners agree in the future.

7. NEW BUSINESS

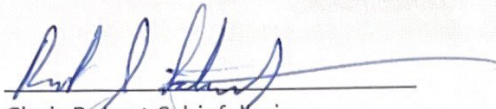
- a. CD 20 -Carlson updated board on inspection of County Ditch 20 south of Watkins.

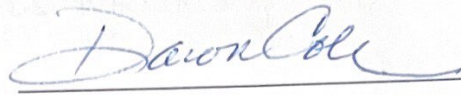
8. OTHER BUSINESS- none

9. MANAGERS REPORTS- none

10. ADJOURNMENT

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


Chair Robert Schiefelbein


Secretary Dawn Cole