



SNAKE RIVER

WATERSHED MANAGEMENT BOARD

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"Working to enhance and protect the water resources of the Snake River Watershed"

Minutes of the Snake River Watershed Management Board and Citizen Advisory Committee- February 24, 2020

Kanabec County Courthouse- Meeting Rooms 5

Board Members Present: Commissioner Tellinghuisen-Mille Lacs County, Commissioner Mohr-Pine County, Commissioner Smith- Kanabec County, Commissioner Pratt-Aitkin County

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Members Present: Kurt Beckstrom-Mille Lacs SWCD Board, Roberta Elvecrog- Aitkin County, Bob Roseberg- Aitkin SWCD, Al Johnson- Pokegama Lake, Don Deutsch-Cross Lake, Paul Hoppe- Kanabec SWCD,

Technical Advisors Present: Deanna Pomije & Nick Smetana - Kanabec SWCD, Susan Shaw & Harmony Maslowski -Mille Lacs SWCD, Jill Carlier and Katie Petzel-Pine SWCD, Jason Weinerman- BWSR

Recording Secretary/SRW Coordinator: Teresa Wickeham

Public- none

I. Call to Order/ Approval and Additions to Agenda

The joint February 24, 2020 meeting of the Snake River Watershed Management Board and CAC was called to order at 9:00am by Chairperson Commissioner Tellinghuisen.

CAC: A motion was made by Kurt Beckstrom, seconded by Paul Hoppe to recommend approval of the agenda as presented.

All in favor, motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the agenda as presented

All in favor, motion carried.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from January 27, 2020

CAC: A motion was made by Don Deutsch seconded by Kurt Beckstrom to recommend approval of the January 27, 2020 minutes as presented.

All in favor, Motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to approve the January 27, 2020 minutes as presented.

All in favor, motion carried.

III. Financial Report:

A budget sheet was provided and reviewed:

All county allocations have been received. Balance of \$312,075.77

IV. New Business

Invoices/Claims:

Projects/Proposals:

Kanabec SWCD-Heitke Pit Closure

The SRW Board and CAC discussed the requested amount and the timeline for completion, they also discussed proposed funding from EQUIP and that timeline.

CAC: A motion was made by Paul Hoppe, seconded by Kurt Beckstrom to recommend approval of funds for the Heitke pit closure for up to \$21,933.50

All in favor, motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to approve funds for the Heitke pit closure for up to \$21,933.50

All in favor, motion carried.

V. Old Business

1W1P- CAC Orientation meeting recap:

The SRW & CAC reviewed the January 27 discussion/meeting of the CAC members and their roles going through the 1W1P process.

Those members that are not part of the policy committee or steering committee will be able to connect with the groups through the SRW Board and CAC meetings since the majority of the members are on both committees.

VI. Updates

Aitkin County- Bob Roseberg:

- AIS- will be hiring 25-30 seasonal inspectors through an employment agency

Kanabec County Commissioner Smith:

- County will be removing old jail
- Discussion on roads and 2cd Amendment

Kanabec SWCD- Deanna Pomije:

- Hiring 1 full time and 1 half time boat inspectors
- 1W1P working on budget, consultant and workplan- all memorandum of agreements have been signed

Kanabec SWCD- Nick Smetana:

- Working with MDA on ag water quality certificates

Kanabec SWCD Supervisor-Paul Hoppe:

- Discussion on Governors comments referencing Mille Lacs Indian Lands

Mille Lacs SWCD- Susan Shaw:

- RFP & Budget for 1W1P

Mille Lacs SWCD- Harmony Maslowski:

- Working with Kanabec & Mille Lacs SWCD on 1W1P

Mille Lacs SWCD Supervisor- Kurt Beckstrom:

- Attended the NACD meeting- water was stated as the most important issue

Pine County- Commissioner Mohr

- \$158,000.00 for AIS

Pine County SWCD- Jill Carlier:

- Had a Supervisor step down, will be replacing them

Pine County SWCD- Katie Petzel

- Reminder- "Private Land Management" presentation at Tobie's, Hinckley- 3/21/2020

Cross Lake-Don Deutsch:

- Will be providing garbage receptacles and portable bathroom facilities for winter ice fishing next year, this year's ice conditions made it difficult to do

Pokegama Lake- Al Johnson:

- \$22,000.00 for curly leaf treatment and education

VII. Public Comment/Discussion

None

VIII. Adjourn:

CAC: A motion was made by Paul Hoppe, seconded by Don Deutsch to adjourn the CAC meeting.

All in favor, motion carried.

Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Mohr, seconded by Commissioner Pratt to adjourn the SRW Board meeting.

All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 10:00am

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Wickeham

Coordinator/Recording Secretary SRWMB