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Minutes of the Snake River Watershed Management Board and Citizen Advisory Committee-January 25, 2021

On Site and Virtual Meeting via Webex Call-In

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

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Members Present: Kurt Beckstrom- Mille Lacs SWCD Board, Bob Roseberg- Aitkin SWCD, Don Deutsch- Cross Lake, Kevin Belkholm- Kanabec SWCD, Henry Fisher- Pokegama Lake, Eric Renstrom – Kanabec County, Mary Reuter- Cross Lake,

Technical Advisors Present: Deanna Pomije & Josh Votruba- Kanabec SWCD, Susan Shaw & Harmony Maslowski- Mille Lacs SWCD, Paul Swanson and ???- Pine SWCD, Caleb Anderson-Pine County, Craig Wills –MN DNR and Jason Weinerman- BWSR

Recording Secretary/SRW Coordinator: Teresa Wickeham

Public: none

I. Call to Order/ Approval and Additions to Agenda

The joint January 25, 2021 meeting of the Snake River Watershed Management Board and CAC was called to order at 9:00am by SRW Coordinator Teresa Wickeham. Organization Meeting- Chair and Vice-Chair for Board & CAC:

CAC: A motion was made by Kurt Beckstrom, seconded by Henry Fischer to nominate and appoint Roberta Elvecrog as Chairperson for the CAC.

All in favor, motion carried.

CAC: A motion was made by Don Deutsch, seconded by Henry Fischer to nominate and appoint Kirk Beckstrom as Vice-Chairperson for the CAC.

All in favor, motion carried.

SRW: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to nominate and appoint Roger Tellinghuisen as Chairperson for the SRW Board. All in favor, motion carried.

CAC: A motion was made by Commissioner Tellinghuisen, seconded by Commissioner Smith to nominate and appoint Commissioner Mohr as Vice-Chairperson for the SRW Board. All in favor, motion carried.

At this time the meeting was turned over to Chairperson Commissioner Tellinghuisen.

CAC: A motion was made by Don Deutsch, seconded by Henry Fischer to recommend approval the agenda with the addition of approval of the February 24, 2020 minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to approve the agenda with the addition of the approval of the February 24, 2020 minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from February 24, 2020

CAC: A motion was made by Bob Roseberg, seconded by Don Deutsch to recommend approval of the February 24, 2020 minutes.
All in favor, Motion carried.
SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Mohr, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the February 24, 2020 minutes.
All in favor, motion carried.

Minutes from October 26, 2020

CAC: A motion was made by Don Deutsch, seconded by Henry Fischer to recommend approval of the October 26, 2020 minutes. All in favor, Motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to approve the October 26, 2020 minutes.

All in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Smith asked that there be paper copies of the meeting materials at the meetings.

III. Financial Report:

A budget sheet for 2020 and 2021 was provided and reviewed:

CAC: A motion was made by Henry Fischer, seconded by Don Deutsch to recommend approval of the 2020 and 2021 budgets as presented.

All in favor, Motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Mohr, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the 2020 and 2021 budget as presented.

All in favor, motion carried.

IV. New Business

Invoices/Claims:

MCIT 2021 INS- \$1238.00:

CAC: A motion was made by Henry Fischer, seconded by Don Deutsch to recommend approval of the \$1238.00 payment for MCIT 2021 Insurance.

All in favor, motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to approve the \$1238.00 payment for MCIT 2021 Insurance.

Kanabec County Environmental Services Administration 2020- \$25,000.00: **CAC:** A motion was made by Don Deutsch, seconded by Kevin Belkholm to recommend approval of the \$25,000.00 payment for Environmental Services Administration. All in favor, motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Mohr, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the \$25,000.00 payment for Environmental Services Administration. All in favor, motion carried.

Projects/Proposals:

Peterson Company LTD- 2019 and 2020 Audit Contract approval:

The 2019 and 2020 biannual audits are due for the Snake River Watershed Board. Peterson Company has submitted contracts for both years' audits for the fee of \$2000.00 for each year for a total of \$4000.00.

CAC: A motion was made by Bob Roseberg, seconded by Kevin Belkholm to recommend approval of entering into contracts with Peterson Company LTD for the 2019 and 2020 audits at a cost of \$2000.00 each for a total of \$4000.00

All in favor, motion carried.

SRW Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Pratt, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to approve entering into contracts with Peterson Company LTD for the 2019 and 2020 audits at a cost of \$2000.00 each for a total of \$4000.00

All in favor, motion carried.

V. Old Business

None

VI. Updates

Kanabec SWCD- Deanna Pomije:

Deanna provided an update on 1W1P. The Policy Committee will be reviewing the 1W1P narrative and issue statements for approval.

Kanabec SWCD-Josh Votruba:

At this time the applicant for the McVay project is not ready to commit

Mille Lacs SWCD- Kurt Beckstrom:

Mille Lacs County is working on CRP Enhancement projects. This is a joint project between SWCD and FSA. The SWCD is working on Stormwater projects for Isle and Wahkon.

Pine SWCD- Paul Swanson- New District Manager: Possible project \$3000.00

Pokegema Lake- Henry Fischer:

Developing their AIS plan for 2021.

Pokegama Lake would like to make sure that flood control is addressed within the 1W1P for the Snake River Watershed.

VII. Public Comment/Discussion

None

VIII. Adjourn:

CAC: A motion was made by Don Deutsch, seconded by Henry Fischer to adjourn the CAC meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Board: A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Mohr to adjourn the SRW Board meeting. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned 9:50am

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Wickeham Coordinator/Recording Secretary SRWMB