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Minutes of the Snake River Watershed Management Board and Citizen Advisory Committee-May 24, 2021

On Site Kanabec County Courthouse and Virtual Meeting via Webex Call-In

Board Members Present: Commissioner Tellinghuisen- Mille Lacs County, Commissioner Mohr-Pine 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, Roberta Elvecrog- Aitkin County

Technical Advisors Present: Deanna Pomije & Josh Votruba- Kanabec SWCD, Harmony Maslowski- Mille Lacs SWCD, Dilan Christianson-Mille Lacs County, Jason Weinerman- BWSR, Barb Peichel- BWSR, Zach Van Orsdel-Pine SWCD, Eric Alms-MPCA

Recording Secretary/SRW Coordinator: Teresa Wickeham

Public: none

I. Call to Order/ Approval and Additions to Agenda

The joint May 24, 2021 meeting of the Snake River Watershed Management Board and CAC was called to order at 9:00am by SRW Coordinator Teresa Wickeham. The Board did not have a quorum and the CAC continued with their meeting.

CAC: A motion was made by Don Deutsch, seconded by Henry Fischer to recommend approval the agenda All in favor, motion carried. **SRW Board:**

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from January 25, 2021

CAC: A motion was made by Bob Roseberg, seconded by Kurt Beckstrom to recommend approval of the January 25, 2021 minutes with the addition of Chris Berg? as attending. All in favor, Motion carried. **SRW Board:**

III. Financial Report:

No expenditures from January 2021 report

IV. New Business

Invoices/Claims:

The Kanabec SWCD project proposal for McVay Ranch will not be going forward at this time. The funds dedicated to the project, \$14,046.75 will be returned to the fund balance.

Projects/Proposals:

Kanabec SWCD-proposal for the Snake Board to use some of the general project Snake funds for incentive payments to promote ag. management practices; cover crops & no-till. The Board and CAC discussed the practice timeline and suggested a different timeline (3 out of 5 yrs). The 2021 deadline date would be changed to July 1 for 2021. After the discussion it was decided that the policy would be brought back at a June meeting with revisions for review. 1W1P Update- Deanna shared the updates from the 1W1P Policy Committee. Henry Fischer-Pokegama Lake would like to make sure that flooding is addressed within the 1W1P for the Snake River Watershed.

Jason Weinerman-BWSR-the future options regarding if and how the SRWMB will want to engage with the 1W1P implementation process. The Board and CAC discussed options for structuring the SRWMB and CAC after 1W1P implementation. The SRW and CAC members will discuss with their Boards and groups the structure options and will be discussing this as we go through the 1W1P process. At this time the consensus of those attending felt the Joint Powers Entity (JPE) fit what the Board and CAC are already doing.

V. Old Business

None

VI. Updates

None

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:**

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Wickeham Coordinator/Recording Secretary SRWMB