



# Joint Powers Entity

## Board Meeting Minutes

Proceedings of the Mississippi River St. Cloud Watershed Entity Joint Powers Board held on August 7th, 2025. Diedrick called the meeting to order at 11:02 am

Date / Time:	August 7th, 2025 11:02 AM – 11:34 AM
Location:	Sherburne History Center – 10775 27 <sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Becker MN 55308 Remote option available through Microsoft Teams
Officers:	Chair: Tina Diedrick, Vice Chair: Scott Johnson
Note Taker:	Andie Bumgarner
Website:	<a href="https://www.millelacsswcd.org/mississippi-river-st-cloud-watershed/">https://www.millelacsswcd.org/mississippi-river-st-cloud-watershed/</a>
Voting Representatives Present:	Scott Johnson - Benton County*, Tom Gregory – Stearns SWCD Wade Bastian - Benton SWCD Bob Schiefelbein – Meeker SWCD Tina Diedrick – Wright County Andrew Hulse – Sherburne County Taryl Clark – Stearns County*
Voting Representatives Absent:	
Alternate Representatives Present:	Chris Jurek – Sherburne SWCD Andre LaSalle - Mille Lacs County*
Partners and Staff Present:	Emily Forbord – Benton SWCD Stephanie Hatzenbihler – Stearns SWCD, Becky Schlorf* – Stearns ESD Alicia O’Hare – Wright SWCD Dan Cibulka – Sherburne SWCD

\*Indicates virtual attendance



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### **Agenda Item #1: Call to Order**

**Meeting was called to order by Chair Diedrick at 11:02 am.**

A quorum was present. Chair Diedrick welcomed the Board and attending staff.

### **Agenda Item #2: Review and Approve Agenda**

- Motion by Gregory, second by Schiefelbein to approve the agenda as presented. Members voting in favor: Bastian, Clark, Diedrick, Gregory, Hulse, Johnson, Jurek, LaSalle, Schiefelbein. Members opposed: None. Members Abstained: None. Motion carried.

### **Agenda Item #3: Review and Approve 06-05-2025 Meeting Minutes**

Draft minutes were presented.

- Motion by Schiefelbein, second by Gregory to approve the 06-05-2025 Meeting Minutes as presented. Members voting in favor: Bastian, Clark, Diedrick, Gregory, Hulse, Johnson, Jurek, LaSalle, Schiefelbein. Members opposed: None. Members Abstained: None. Motion carried.

### **Agenda Item #4: General Updates**

Cibulka updated the Board on recent activities and anticipated future activities. He shared that a consensus had been reached on contract language by county attorneys. The Board asked questions on the fiscal agent role and watershed coordinator. Discussion was had. Next Board meeting has been tentatively set for Sept 4th. Cibulka ended by speaking about CRP Incentive Grant funding that has been approved by BWSR. IPC will need to develop a workplan and local policy for the JPE Board / BWSR to approve, then program promotion can begin.

### **Agenda Item #5: MRSCWE Master Agreements**

Attorneys representing the 11 MRSCWE Members met and developed a Master Agreement that outlines terms and conditions for Members to accept grant funding from the entity. Master Agreement to be signed by the MRSCWE and Members who are requesting funds.

- Motion by Clark, second by Hulse to authorize the Chair to sign the Master Program and Project Agreement between the MRSCWE and the Benton SWCD, Meeker SWCD, Mille Lacs SWCD, Sherburne County, Sherburne SWCD, Stearns CD and Wright SWCD. Members voting in favor: Bastian, Clark, Diedrick, Gregory, Hulse, Johnson, Jurek, LaSalle, Schiefelbein. Members opposed: None. Members Abstained: None. Motion carried.



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### Agenda Item #6: Member Statement of Work Agreements

Cibulka briefed the Board on the Statement of Work document explaining it outlines the funding amount, categories of work, and deliverables for the projects and programs that MRSCWE members are requesting to complete. He added that the Implementation Planning Committee has reviewed projects and program proposals and recommend them to be approved by the JPE Board. Funding will be available until December 2027.

- Motion by Hulse, second by Johnson to authorize the Chair to sign the Member Statement of Work Agreement between the MRSCWE and the Benton SWCD, Meeker SWCD, Mille Lacs SWCD, Sherburne County, Sherburne SWCD, Stearns CD, and Wright SWCD. Members voting in favor: Bastian, Clark, Diedrick, Gregory, Hulse, Johnson, Jurek, LaSalle, Schiefelbein. Members opposed: None. Members Abstained: None. Motion carried.

### Agenda Item #7: Adjourn

Chair Diedrick adjourned the meeting at 11:34 AM.

She commended the Board and Cibulka for all their hard work.

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes approved by the MRSCWE JPE Board.

*Dill-Chuls, Watershed Coordinator*

Signature & Title

*11-6-2025*

Date

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Andie Bumgarner on behalf of the Mississippi River St. Cloud Watershed Entity.