



# Cannon River Watershed Joint Powers Board

Mission: Work collaboratively to improve and protect the natural resources within the Cannon River Watershed to ensure prosperity of our urban and agricultural communities.

## Minutes CRWJPB Meeting October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Zoom Online Video Platform

**CRWJPB Members:** James Hedeon (Belle Creek WD), Mike Slavik (Dakota County), Kevin Chamberlain (Dakota SWCD), Brad Anderson (Goodhue County), Jeff Beckman (Goodhue SWCD), Steven Rohlfing (Le Sueur County), Cletus Gregor (Le Sueur SWCD), Galen Malecha (Rice County), Richard Cook (Rice SWCD), Keith Morgan (Waseca SWCD)

**Also in Attendance:** Brad Behrens (Rice County staff), Haley Byron (Waseca County staff), Ashley Gallagher (Dakota SWCD staff), Holly Kalbus (Le Sueur County staff), Beau Kennedy (Goodhue SWCD staff), Steve Pahs (Rice SWCD staff), Emmie Peters (Rice SWCD staff), Glen Roberson (Goodhue SWCD staff), Mike Schultz (Le Sueur SWCD staff), Sue Erpanbach (Rice SWCD staff), Brad Becker (Dakota County staff), Shaina Keseley (BWSR), Jennifer Mocol-Johnson (BWSR)

### 1. Call to Order

Chair Rohlfing called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

### 2. Approval of Agenda

**Motion by Hedeon, second by Anderson to approve the agenda. Motion carried.**

### 3. Approval of Joint Powers Board Minutes of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 Meeting

Emmie Peters added a change that was made to the minutes. The roles were switched from Rice County and Dakota County to Rice SWCD and Dakota SWCD.

**Motion by Anderson, second by Beckman to approve the minutes of the July 1<sup>st</sup> 2020 Cannon River Watershed Joint Powers Board meeting. Motion carried.**

### 4. Financial Summary

All members have paid their CRWJPB dues, making the total currently \$49,000, which resides in the Rice SWCD checking account. The date for next years dues will be beginning of the year and for budgeting purposes it was decided dues will be the same amount as this year, but no motion was made. Cost occurred by Rice and Dakota SWCD

will be looked into for reimbursement. The CRWJPB is operating on a calendar year for financials.

5. Resolution to adopt Cannon River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan

Brian Watson has worked with BWSR on a new resolution that the CRWJPB can adopt for all the entities.

**Motion by Slavik, second by Hedeem to approve a resolution to adopt the Cannon River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan that supersedes and replaces the previously adopted resolution. Motion carried.**

6. Adoption of Program and Project Policy

The program and project policies were presented to the board. There is the ability to modify in the future when needed. Discussion surrounding how the rates were decided was brought up.

**Motion by Malecha, second by Hedeem to adopt the program and project policy that was developed by staff. Motion carried.**

7. Authorization to submit work plan to BWSR for Clean Water Fund Grant

The workplan was presented with number breakdowns. The implementation items were discussed and approved at the previous CRWJPB meeting. Some items will be contracted out for implementation. Once approved, staff will be able to submit the work plan to BWSR.

**Motion by Slavik, second by Anderson to submit the work plan to BWSR for the Clean Water Fund Grant. Motion carried.**

8. Discussion of next meeting date and location

Recommendation from staff is to plan on having a virtual meeting for the January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meeting, unless guidelines have changed by then. Board members were in agreement with this.

9. MCIT Insurance

A letter was received from MCIT with coverage cost. Coverage would start in November with a prorated amount. Cost for a full year would be \$2,322. The cost of this will come out of member dues.

**Motion by Malecha, second by Hedeem to approve the MCIT insurance policy for two months. Motion carried.**

10. Dues

The item was added during the meeting. Since the next meeting won't be until after the beginning of the next calendar, dues were discussed to stay the same from 2020 for 2021.

**Motion be Malecha, second by Anderson to keep members dues for 2021 the same as they were for 2020. Motion carried.**

11. Adjourn

**Motion by Cook, second by Slavik to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 am.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Galen Malecha,  
Secretary Cannon River Watershed Joint Powers Board