



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.

**CRWJPB Meeting
October 6th, 2021
Straight River Room
1814 2nd Avenue NW, Faribault, 55021**

CRWJPB Members: James Hedeem (Belle Creek WD), Mike Slavik (Dakota County), Kevin Chamberlain (Dakota SWCD), Brad Anderson (Goodhue County), Jeff Beckman (Goodhue SWCD), Steven Rohlfsing (Le Sueur County), Jim Struck (Le Sueur SWCD), Sandy Weber (North Cannon WMO), Richard Cook (Rice SWCD), Rick Gnemi (Steele County), Keith Morgan (Waseca SWCD), Galen Malecha (Rice County), Dan Hansen (Steele SWCD)

Also in Attendance: Ashley Gallagher (Dakota SWCD staff), Holly Kalbus (Le Sueur County staff), Beau Kennedy (Goodhue SWCD staff), Steve Pahs (Rice SWCD staff), Emmie Scheffler (Rice SWCD staff), Mike Schultz (Le Sueur SWCD staff), Sue Erpanbach (Rice SWCD staff), Jennifer Mocol-Johnson (BWSR), Chad Hildebrand (Goodhue SWCD staff), Haley Byron (Waseca County staff), Teresa DeMars (Rice SWCD staff), Brad Behrens (Rice County staff), Eric Gulbransen (Steele SWCD staff), Adam Arndt (Steele SWCD staff), Brian Watson (Dakota SWCD staff), Kent Ross (citizen), Kristi Pursell (CRP staff), Doug Lennartson (citizen), Joe Juliar (citizen)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Anderson, second by Slavik to approve the agenda with the addition of Hunt Lake as item 12.1. Motion carried.

3. Approval of Joint Powers Board Minutes of July 7th, 2021 Meeting

Motion by Hedeem, second by Weber to approve the minutes of the July 7th, 2021 Cannon River Watershed Joint Powers Board meeting. Motion carried.

4. Minutes of August 4th, 2021 Executive Committee Meeting

Motion by Malecha, second by Struck to approve the minutes of the August 4th, 2021 Executive Committee meeting. Motion carried.

5. Financial Summary

Steve Pahs presented a new financial summary updated from the one in the packet.

Motion by Gnemi, second by Anderson to approve the financial summary. Motion carried.

6. Cancellation of Implementation activity 3.2.1-B-1

Staff has found that activity 3.2.1-B-1 is not beneficial at the moment, but may be in the future or every five years.

Motion by Struck, second by Hansen to approve the cancellation of implementation activity 3.2.1-B-1 for 2022.

7. Workplan change for Implementation activity 3.2.1-B-4

Activity 3.2.1-B-4 required staff time in 2021 that money had not been set aside for. Reimbursement for this time was taken out of 2022 money for the activity. This money cannot go back to Clean River Partners for reimbursement for 2021 since the work has already been done. The additional \$2,000 will go towards the activity in 2022.

Motion by Weber, second by Gnemi to add \$2,000 to implementation activity 3.2.1-B-4 for 2022.

8. Budget 2022 for CRWJPB

Steve Pahs presented the budget that was in packet. Anderson brought up that if CRWJPB has to deficient spend for the last 10%, if we can use the next round of money or if dues are needed to cover that portion. The question was posed for what other 1W1P do. Slavik would like to see a fund balance policy in the future in the operational policy.

Motion by Hedeem, second by Gnemi to approve the budget for 2022 as presented in the packet. Motion carried.

9. Update of cancellation of CRP Contract, Item 4

Staff informs the board on why they decided to cancel item 4 for the contract with Clean River Partners. Board members were worried the process and procedure was not done correctly and the board should have been the ones to acted on a cancellation. Staff has looked into the procedure with legal services. A decision was made that next time an email will be sent out to the whole board updating on what is occurring and will get board approval. Board members would also like the executive committee to meet monthly in the future and an email every month to all board members with updates on the CIG, minutes, project sheets, and other relevant information.

10. Contracting with CRP 2022

Kristi Pursell updated the board on the soil health team activity that they had done in 2021. BWSR staff commented that in the future, measurable results will be needed for the activity to continue. Staff needs time still to assist activity deliverables and structure for 2022. Malecha brought up that a contract does not have to be for a full calendar year.

Motion by Hedeem, second by Gnemi to give the Executive Committee authority to approve a contract with Clean River Partners for 2022.

11. Recap September TAG meeting

The results of the TAG meeting are in the packet. There were no further questions.

12. Update on implementation activities

1. Doug and Joe from Hunt Lake Association talked about the lake monitoring the association is currently conducting on their own.

30% of the funds for structural and non-structural projects have been encumbered. The project map to see these is online and will be going live in the near future. Shoreline surveys are happening this fall, along with the SSTS inventory in Le Sueur County. PTMapp will be done by the end of the year.

13. Adjourn

**Motion by Hansen, second by Gnemi to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 10:21 am.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Galen Malecha,
Secretary Cannon River Watershed Joint Powers Board