



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.

**Draft CRWJPB Meeting
November 1st, 2023 at 9 am
Straight River Room, Rice County Fairgrounds
1814 2nd Ave NW, Faribault, MN 55021**

CRWJPB Members: James Hedeem (Belle Creek WD), Mike Slavik (Dakota County), Kevin Chamberlain (Dakota SWCD), Brad Anderson (Goodhue County), John Beck (Goodhue SWCD) Steven Rohlring (Le Sueur County), David Preisler (Le Sueur County) (*non-voting member*), Jim Struck (Le Sueur SWCD), Sandy Weber (North Cannon WMO), Galen Malecha (Rice County), Rick Gnemi (Steele County), Dan Hansen (Steele SWCD)

Also in Attendance: Ashley Gallagher (Dakota SWCD staff), Mike Schultz (Le Sueur SWCD SWCD staff), Brian Watson (Dakota SWCD staff), Steve Pahs (Rice SWCD staff), Emmie Scheffler (Rice SWCD staff), Sue Erpenbach (Rice SWCD staff), Brad Behrens (Rice County staff), Chad Hildebrand (Goodhue SWCD staff), Eric Gulbransen (Steele SWCD staff), Brad Becker (Dakota County staff), Holly Bushman (Le Sueur County staff), David Stenzel (Steele County staff), Adam Bielke (BWSR), Jeremy Maul (BWSR), Dean Sunderland, Jeff Jirik, Peggy Keilen, Jim Fishcer

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Rohlring called the meeting to order at 9:03 am.

II. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Joint Powers Board Minutes of August 2nd, 2023 Meeting
3. Minutes of October 4th, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting
4. 2023 3rd Quarter Financial Summary and Bills Payable
5. 2023 Budget Update
6. MPCA Surface Water Assessment Grant
7. 2024 MCIT Quote
8. 2024 Meeting Schedule

Motion by Struck, second by Hedeem to approve the consent agenda with the addition of Sandy Weber to the August 2nd minutes and the spelling of Bolton Menk corrected. Motion carried.

III. Regular Agenda

9. 2024 Budget

Motion by Malecha, second by Anderson to approve the 2024 budget as presented in the packet. Motion carried.

10. Recognition to logo winner

Motion by Malecha, second by Weber to approve the administrator to spend a cap of \$35 on a tumbler as a gift for the logo winner. Motion carried.

11. Promotional Material

Motion by Hansen, second by Slavik to approve the promotional material and amounts as listed in the packet using dues. Motion carried.

12. 2024 Contract with Clean River Partners

Motion by Malecha, second by Gnemi to approve the contract attached in the packet with Clean River Partners for 2024 Peer-to-Peer meetings. Motion carried.

13. Policy Updates

No further discussion than what was presented in the packet.

14. Request for additional Watershed Based Implementation Funds from BWSR

BWSR would like to see that the money will be spent. There is a need for grazing on top of the allocated \$20,000 for 2024.

Motion by Weber, second by Gnemi to approve requesting an additional \$300,000 in Watershed Based Implementation Funds. Motion carried.

IV. Update on implementation activities

15. FY2021 WBIF Updates

No updates.

16. FY2023 WBIF Updates

Links to the online webinars will be sent out in monthly email. Board members would like to see the lake associations and other landowners hearing more about events.

17. Circle Lake Improvement District Presentation- Dean Sunderland

The proposal for the lake is \$4.4 million over 5 years to implement Aeration, nutrient inactivation, and biological treatments. The LID has around 170 people spread out of around 200 parcels. Staff will work on making a list of different grants Circle Lake, and other lakes, can apply for.

V. Staff Reports

No reports.

VI. Other Correspondence

There were no other correspondences.

VII. Adjourn

The next meeting will be on February 7th, 2023 at 9am in the Straight River Room at the Rice County Fairgrounds. Motion by Hansen, second by Gnemi to adjourn the meeting at 10:14 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Galen Malecha,
Secretary Cannon River Watershed Joint Powers Board