

<b>Lower Minnesota River West-Comprehensive Watershed Management Partnership</b>	<b>Policy Committee</b> Meeting #6 – Minutes	Date: 01/07/2021
		Time: 1:31 PM – 2:47 PM
		Location: Virtual Meeting via GoToMeeting

**Staff Support:** Jack Bushman

**Note taker:** Joel Wurscher

**Attendees:**

**Committee Members:** Jim Mueller – HICWD, Doug Krueger – McLeod County, Charles Mathews – McLeod SWCD, Marie Dranttel – Nicollet County, Steve Saxton – Sibley County, Paul Wiemann – Sibley SWCD, Eric Annexstad – Nicollet SWCD

**Others:** Amy Clyde – Nicollet County, John Luepke – Nicollet County, Mark Hiles – Board of Water and Soil Resources, Jenny Mocol-Johnson – Board of Water and Soil Resources, Bryan Spindler – Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Greg Williams – Barr Engineering Co.

## Agenda Items

**Minutes:**

1. Call to Order
  - a. The meeting was called to order at 1:31 PM on January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 by Board Chair Wiemann.
  - b. Bushman: “The policy committee meeting will be held in accordance to MN Statute 13D.021. It will be conducted by telephone due to the health pandemic and declared emergency. An in-person meeting is not practical or prudent.”
  - c. Bushman reminded committee members that voting will be done via roll call, and that committee members should state their name when making motions.
  
2. Review Meeting Agenda, Agenda Additions & Cancellations
  - a. A motion was made by Krueger and seconded by Saxton to accept the agenda as presented. Ayes Annexstad, Mueller, Krueger, Mathews, Dranttel, Saxton, Wiemann. Motion carried.
  
3. Approve Minutes from 12/03/2020
  - a. The committee reviewed the meeting minutes from the December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 policy committee meeting. A correction was made to include Annexstad in the attending committee members. A correction was also made to remove the “attending virtually” for the “others” listed in the attendee’s section. A motion was made by Mueller and seconded by Annexstad to approve the December 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting minutes with corrections. Ayes Annexstad, Mueller, Krueger, Mathews, Dranttel, Saxton, Wiemann. Motion carried.
  
4. Approve Invoice from Barr Engineering Co.
  - a. The committee reviewed the invoice from Barr Engineering Co. The invoice is for \$2,718.45 and is dated December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Bushman reviewed the services provided by Barr Engineering. Wiemann asked if everything is on track with the budget. Bushman replied that he thinks things are progressing well. Wurscher stated that he will be working on an invoice to Sibley County for wages and postage. Wurscher is also working on completing eLink reporting requirements for the planning grant. A motion was made by Krueger and seconded by Mueller to approve the invoice. Ayes Annexstad, Mueller, Krueger, Mathews, Dranttel, Saxton, Wiemann. Motion carried.

5. 60 Day Notice – BWSR Priority Issues and Plan Expectations Presentation
  - a. Mocol-Johnson presented a PowerPoint on the Board of Water and Soil Resources response to the 60 Day Notice to Plan letter sent out by the planning partnership.
  - b. Mocol-Johnson also provided some information on the Minnesota Department of Agriculture letter that was provided with the BWSR letter.
  - c. Krueger stated that the presentation was good.
  
6. 60 Day Notice – MPCA Priority Issues and Plan Expectations Presentation
  - a. Spindler presented a PowerPoint on the Minnesota Pollution Control Agencies response to the 60 Day Notice to Plan letter sent out by the planning partnership.
  - b. Spindler included information about the WRAPS and TMDL documents available to the planning partnership.
  - c. Spindler also commented on GIS data that is available to the partnership.
  - d. Mueller stated that everything seems straightforward.
  
7. Discuss Future Agenda Items & Schedule Next Meeting
  - a. The next Lower Minnesota River West CWMP policy committee meeting will be held on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 1:30 PM.
  - b. Future agenda items include presentations by MDH, MNDNR and the results of stakeholder engagement.
  - c. A motion was made by Mueller and seconded by Annexstad to adjourn the meeting at 2:47 PM. Ayes Annexstad, Mueller, Krueger, Mathews, Dranttel, Saxton, Wiemann. Motion carried.

Approved on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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Secretary

Attachments to Meeting Minutes:

- Barr Engineering Co. Invoice
- BWSR PowerPoint
- MPCA PowerPoint