

Minutes
Southeast Minnesota Water Resources Board Meeting
January 10th 2011

Present: Jim Bryant (Goodhue), Jake Gillen (Rice), Matt Flynn (Olmsted County), Mena Kaehler (Winona County), Richard Samuelson (Goodhue County), Dave Hansen (Dodge County), Justin Zmyewski (Houston County), Judy Ohly (Olmsted County), Bruce Kubicek (Steele County), Marcia Ward (Winona County)

Others: Linda Dahl (SEMNRWB), Beau Kennedy (Goodhue SWCD), Ralph Tuck (Root River SWCD), Mary Kells (BWSR) Lisa Eadens (ZWP), Donna Rassmussen (Fillmore SWCD) Beth Kallestad (CRWP), Bev Nordby (Mower SWCD), Katherine Logan (MPCA).

The meeting was called to order by **Chair Jim Bryant at 9:05 a.m.**

Item 1: Approve January 10th 2011 Agenda: A motion was made by Jake Gillen and seconded by Bruce Kubicek to approve the agenda: **Motion** passed unanimously.

Item 2: Election of Officers: Motion made by Bruce Kubicek nominating Matt Flynn for 2011 Board Chair. The nomination was seconded by Jake Gillen. **Motion of nomination** passed unanimously. A motion was made by Bruce Kubicek to nominate Mena Kaehler for 2011 Vice Chair and 2nd by Judy Ohly. **Motion** for the nomination passed unanimously.

Item 3: Approve Minutes of November 8th 2010 Board Meeting: Motion by Marcia Ward to approve minutes and was seconded by Dave Hanson. **Motion** passed unanimously.

Item 4: Approve November 30th Budget vs. Actual: Linda gave updates on Shoreland budget question that was raised at the November meeting. Richard Samuelson made a motion to approve the Budget vs. Actual and 2nd by Jim Bryant. **Motion** passed unanimously.

Item 5: Executive Director's Report: Feedlot IV was modified to allow for the second ½ allocation of funds to be available for Counties who request their full allocation as needed. Lake Zumbro inventory grant is completed. \$46K of the \$72K grant was spent on the project. 72 parcels were inventoried in Olmsted County and 2 IPHT were found. 1 of 2 was fixed as of now. 46 parcels were investigated in Wabasha County. The Point of Sale survey was updated and results will be sent out via email in the next day to the Board.

Item 6: Distribute 2011 Work Plan and Conflict of Interest Forms:

- Work Plan: Added potential programs that may be available to choose from during the 2011 program session. Otherwise the final plan is as same as the draft version.
- Marcia Ward noted the importance of this year's legislative session. State is facing a \$6 billion deficit and cuts are likely at the local level. Jim Bryant mentioned that if the Board is needed to make our local voices heard at the State level for relevant water resources issue, to let the commissioners know.

Item 7: Recognition of Outgoing Officers: Matt Flynn recognized Jim Bryant on his year of service as acting Board Chair and noted that things ran quite smoothly. Linda thanked Jim and presented a Certificate of Appreciation for his years as Chair; 1999, 2004 and 2010.

Item 8: Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by Judy Ohly and second by Jake Gillen to adjourn the meeting. **Motion** passed: Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Following the Board meeting, representatives from four different SE MN Watershed organizations explained their organizational structure, and the pros and cons of that particular organization, as well as their role and purpose as related to water resources. Lisa Edens from the ZWP and Beth Kallestad from CRWP presented on the nature and functions of a watershed partnership. Bev Nordby spoke on the values that Watershed Districts bring to the table. And Donna Rasmueson spoke on how the Fillmore SWCD operates and how project dollars for the Root River Watershed are being managed through their office.

Respectfully submitted,

Beau Kennedy
County Water Plan Coordinator
Goodhue County SWCD

Approved: _____ Date: _____
Commissioner Matt Flynn, Chairperson

Attested: _____ Date: _____