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ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 2024

The annual watershed advisory board meeting was called to order by Watershed Chairman Andrew Weber at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, December 9, 2024 in the Lac qui Parle County Commissioners' Room, Courthouse, Madison, MN. Watershed Manager present: Andrew Weber, Jon Olson, David Craigmile, & Mike Knutson. Watershed Managers absent: none. Advisory Board members present: Harvey Swenson, Darwyn Bach, Quintin Peterson, Dale Sterzinger, & Jeff Rheingans. Advisory members absent: Joe Drietz, Ron Antony, Stacey Tufto, & Nate Ludvigson.

Watershed Chairman Andrew Weber reported a quorum was present for the Advisory Board. Introductions were held.

Darwyn Bach nominated Harvey Swenson for Chairman, seconded by Quintin Peterson. There being no other nominations, Swenson called for a vote. Motion passed 5-0

Quintin Peterson volunteered to be secretary, seconded by Dale Sterzinger. Upon vote, motion passed 5-0. Advisory Board Chairman Harvey Swenson asked for nominations or volunteers for Secretary

Chairman Swenson asked for approval of the 2023 Advisory board minutes as emailed and handed out at the meeting. Harvey Swenson motioned to approve the special meeting minutes #646.1 which were the 2023 Advisory Board annual minutes, seconded by Darwyn Bach. Upon vote, motion passed 5-0.

Chairman Swenson asked Hastad to give the 2024 Watershed report. Hastad read the report which was a summary of the years' activities. Hastad reviewed the 1W1P priority area map and reported we received approval for the second round of funding.

Chairman Swenson called for questions or comments. There were some questions on the 1W1P priority area, cost share amounts for no till/strip till, cover crops, and projects and how this is figured. Quintin Peterson & Dale Sterzinger replied to the costs for acre for these conservation practices.

Hastad discussed Invenergy wanting to contract with the Watershed District for wind rights on the Canby Creek structures. Dale Sterzinger advised caution and discussed what they have experience in Lincoln County with the towers. Good discussion was had.

Chairman Swenson called for other comments or questions from the Board. There were none.

WS Manager David Craigmile gave a short power point highlighting some photos of the Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed District and the new web-site and how to maneuver around the site.

Administrator Hastad asked the Advisory Board if they would like to meet monthly, quarterly, or stay at annually and if they liked meeting at the end of year or if they would like to meet in the spring of the year. Discussion followed. The consensus was they would like to meet the end of March and possibly end of year.

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Chairman Harvey Swenson

ATTEST:

Quintin Peterson, Secretary