

Middle Cedar Watershed Management Authority

Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, February 28, 2018 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Wickiup Hill Learning Center

(10260 Morris Hills Rd, Toddville, IA 52341)

Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Tracey Seeman (Benton County), Don Shonka (Buchanan County), Dan Bangasser (City of Grundy Center), Dean McKenna (Tama SWCD), Jim Lindaman (Butler SWCD), Jeremy Sills (Benton SWCD), Brian Wirtz (City of Evansdale), Lawrence Green (Franklin SWCD), Sherman Lundy (Black Hawk SWCD), Chris Schwartz (Black Hawk County), Les Beck (Linn County), Fred Abels (Grundy SWCD), Cara Matteson (City of Cedar Rapids), Kathy Bierman (City of Cedar Rapids alternate), Les Beck (Linn County).

Others Present: Adam Rodenberg (MCWMA), Jennifer Fencil (ECICOG), Pat Conrad (EOR), Jim Jordahl (Iowa Ag Water Alliance), Mary Beth Stevenson (Iowa DNR), Jessica Turba (Iowa Homeland Security & Emergency Management), Valerie Decker (University of Iowa CEA), Tina Cibula (NRCS), Anthony Seeman (Iowa Soybean Association), Allen Bonini (Iowa DNR), Carole Teater (Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation), Nick Longbucco (The Nature Conservancy), Ken Mutschle, Dennis Schlitch, Linda Schlitch, Ruby Bodecker (Vinton Newspaper), Mari Phelan (Citizen of Cedar Rapids), Shawn Reilly, Clark Porter (IDALS).

I. Call to Order & Introductions

- Meeting was called to order at 3:07 by Vice Chairperson Cara Matteson.

II. Minutes of Previous Meeting – November 8, 2018.

- Sherman Lundy motioned to approve the minutes from the Board meeting held on November 8, 2018. Chris Schwartz 2nd motion. Motion carried.

III. Election of Officers

- Sherman Lundy motioned to appoint Fred Abels as Chairperson and Cara Matteson as Vice Chairperson. Chris Schwartz 2nd motion. Motion Carried.
- Chris Schwartz volunteered to serve as Treasurer/Secretary. Sherman Lundy motioned to nominate Chris Schwartz as Treasurer/Secretary. Jim Lindaman 2nd motion. Motion carried.

IV. Watershed Projects

a. Iowa Watershed Approach (Adam Rodenberg)

- Rodenberg provided a general update on the Iowa Watershed Approach.
- Rodenberg presented the results of the bid process for Bid Packet 1. Schrader Tiling and Terrain out of Atkins, IA was low bidder out of 7 accepted bids.
- Rodenberg presented and discussed new applications and project list.

- Motion by Sherman Lundy to approve new applications and project list. 2nd by Chris Schwartz. Motion carried.

b. North Iowa Agronomy Partners

- Jeremy Sills presented on North Iowa Agronomy Partners.

V. Partner Updates

a. Iowa Soybean Association (Anthony Seeman)

i. Middle Cedar Water Monitoring Results

- Anthony Seeman presented on water monitoring results for 2018 throughout the Middle Cedar Watershed.

VI. Watershed Plan Presentation (Pat Conrad)

- Pat Conrad presented on the draft Middle Cedar Watershed Management Plan. Comments from MCWMA Board Members and IWA Project Partners on the draft watershed plans should be sent to Adam Rodenberg no later than 1:00pm March 8th.

VII. Other Business

- Adam Rodenberg reminded Board members that Daily Erosion Project flash drives are available for those interested.

VIII. Public Comment

- No public comment at this time.

IX. Next Meeting

- The next MCWMA Board of Directors meeting will be held on May 9 from 3:00-5:00pm. Location TBD.

X. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 5:02 pm.