

**BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES  
520 LAFAYETTE ROAD N.  
LOWER LEVEL BOARD ROOM  
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55155  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017**

**AGENDA**

**9:00 AM CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2017 BOARD MEETING**

**PUBLIC ACCESS FORUM** (10-minute agenda time, two-minute limit/person)

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES**

- Mario Chavez, Compliance Coordinator
- Barb Peichel, Clean Water Specialist
- Kalysta Adkins, Easement Acquisition Specialist
- Tim Hohn, Easement Acquisition Specialist
- Peter Jordet, Easement Acquisition Specialist
- Zachary Braun, Easement Acquisition Specialist
- Dave Leuthe, Buffer Program Consultant

**REPORTS**

- Chair & Administrative Advisory Committee - Gerald Van Amburg
- Audit & Oversight Committee - Gerald Van Amburg
- Executive Director - John Jaschke
- Dispute Resolution Committee - Gerald Van Amburg
- Grants Program & Policy Committee - Steve Sunderland
- RIM Reserve Committee – Gene Tiedemann
- Water Management & Strategic Planning Committee - Jack Ditmore
- Wetland Conservation Committee - Tom Schulz
- Buffers, Soils & Drainage Committee - Kathryn Kelly
- Drainage Work Group - Tom Loveall/Al Kean

## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

### ***Grants Program and Policy Committee***

1. FY18 SWCD Capacity Matching Grants – Melissa Lewis – ***DECISION ITEM***

### ***Southern Region Committee***

1. Area II Minnesota River Basin Projects FY 2018 & FY 2019 Biennial Work Plan and Grant – Kathryn Kelly – ***DECISION ITEM***
2. Blue Earth County Local Water Management Plan – Kathryn Kelly – ***DECISION ITEM***

### ***Central Region Committee***

1. Nine Mile Creek Watershed District Watershed Management Plan – Steve Christopher – ***DECISION ITEM***
2. North Fork Crow River Watershed District Citizen Petition to Increase the Number of Managers – Kevin Bigalke/Jason Weinerman – ***DECISION ITEM***
3. Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Dredge Management Grant – Steve Christopher – ***DECISION ITEM***

### ***Northern Region Committee***

1. Beltrami County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan – Neil Peterson – ***DECISION ITEM***
2. Polk County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan 5-year Amendment – Gene Tiedemann – ***DECISION ITEM***
3. Buffalo Red River Watershed District Amendment Waiver – Pete Waller – ***DECISION ITEM***

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Technical Training and Certification Program – Megan Lennon – ***INFORMATION ITEM***
2. Pollinator Plan and Action Steps – Dan Shaw – ***INFORMATION ITEM***

## **AGENCY REPORTS**

- Minnesota Department of Agriculture – Susan Stokes
- Minnesota Department of Health – Chris Elvrum
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources – Dave Schad
- Minnesota Extension Service
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency – Rebecca Flood

## **ADVISORY COMMENTS**

- Association of Minnesota Counties – Jennifer Berquam
- Minnesota Association of Conservation District Employees – Chessa Frahm
- Minnesota Association of Soil & Water Conservation Districts – LeAnn Buck
- Minnesota Association of Townships – Nathan Redalen
- Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts – Ray Bohn
- Natural Resources Conservation Service – Cathee Pullman

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

- Next BWSR Meeting is October 25, 2017, at 9:00am in the Lower Level Board Room

**ADJOURN**