

**BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES
520 LAFAYETTE ROAD N.
LOWER LEVEL BOARD ROOM
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55155
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2018**

AGENDA

9:00 AM CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2018 BOARD MEETING

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

INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF

- Melissa King, Board Conservationist
- Cari Pagel, Office and Administrative Specialist
- Bethany Espeseth, Accounting Technician

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 – Tom Loveall
- 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/Water Management and Strategic Planning Committee

1. Watershed-based Funding Program Development – Melissa Lewis – ***DECISION ITEM***

Central Region Committee

1. Benton County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan – Kevin Bigalke – ***DECISION ITEM***
2. Mille Lacs County Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan – Kevin Bigalke – ***DECISION ITEM***

Buffers, Soils, and Drainage Committee

1. Outreach for Development of Options to Address Excessive Soil Loss and Rescinding Board Resolution #16-32 – Dave Weirens – ***DECISION ITEM***

Administrative Advisory Committee

1. Riparian Aid Pass-through Grants – Dave Weirens – ***DECISION ITEM***
2. Bylaws Update – John Jaschke – ***DECISION ITEM****
3. Conflict of Interest procedure – Angie Becker Kudelka – ***DECISION ITEM****
4. Per Diem Policy Update – John Jaschke – ***DECISION ITEM****

*The Audit and Oversight Committee also reviewed these agenda items on October 23, 2018.

NEW BUSINESS

1. 2019 BWSR Board Meeting Schedule – Hannah Pallmeyer/John Jaschke – ***DECISION ITEM***

AGENCY REPORTS

- Minnesota Department of Agriculture – Susan Stokes
- Minnesota Department of Health – Chris Elvrum
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources – Tom Landwehr
- Minnesota Extension Service – Joel Larson
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency – Shannon Lotthammer

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 – Emily Javens
- Natural Resources Conservation Service – Troy Daniell

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Next BWSR Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 19, 2018, at 9:00AM. Location information will be shared with board members and noticed on the BWSR website closer to the date.

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