

Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed Advisory Board Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 7, 2016

The annual meeting of the Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Watershed Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at the Lac qui Parle County Courthouse Commissioners' Room at 6:00 p.m. Advisory Board members present were: Ron Antony, Harvey Swenson, Menno Fokken, Roger Ellefson, Nate Ludvigson, & Roy Marihart. Others present were: Darrel Ellefson, David Ludvigson, David Craigmile, Joe Ferguson, & Trudy Hastad.

Lac qui Parle-Yellow Bank Chairman Ellefson opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. He called for additions to the agenda. Manager Craigmile motioned to accept the agenda, seconded by Manager Ferguson. Upon vote, all voted in favor.

Watershed Chairman Ellefson asked for nominations for a Chairman and recorder from the Advisory Board members according to M.S. Chapter 103D.331.

Ron Anthony motioned to nominate Roy Marihart as Chairman, seconded by Harvey Swenson. Watershed Chairman Ellefson asked if there were any other nominations, there being no other nominations, he called for a vote. Motion unanimously passed.

Ron Anthony motioned to appoint Menno Fokken as acting chair for the meeting, seconded by Harvey Swenson. Upon vote, motion unanimously passed.

Acting Chairman Fokken asked for nominations for recorder. Ron Anthony nominated Nate Ludvigson for Recorder, seconded by Harvey Swenson. Acting Chairman Fokken asked if there were any other nominations, there being no other nominations, he called for a vote. Motion unanimously passed.

Acting Chairman Fokken asked for motion to approve the November 16, 2015 Annual minutes. Ron Anthony motioned to approve the November 16, 2015 minutes of Advisory Board, seconded by Roger Ellefson. Upon vote, the motion unanimously passed.

Watershed Administrator Hastad informed the Advisory Board that BWSR is conducting a Level II PRAP (Performance Review & Assistance Program) on the Watershed District. She explained they would be asked to fill out a survey and should have received it via e-mail. She encouraged them to fill it out. She also shared the plan accomplishments that she filled out and sent to BWSR. Discussion followed with no action being taken.

Hastad reported that CWP Coordinator, Mary Homan, turned in her notice, effective December 30, 2016. She plans to do some traveling with her husband. No further action was taken.

Hastad discussed the wind tower agreement with Global Winds, Inc. Discussion followed. No action was taken. Hastad reviewed the WRAPS (Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategies) being done in our Watershed. She also discussed the possible boundary change request to the Upper Minnesota Watershed District. No action was taken.

Hastad reported that the personnel policy is currently being updated along with job descriptions and a data practices policy, capitol assets policy, and fund balance policy will be developed and approved. No action was taken.

Hastad updated the Board on the buffer program. Discussion followed with no action taken.

Acting Chairman Fokken asked advisory board for any comment/concerns regarding the Watershed District.

YM Commissioner Ron Antony discussed using the Yellow Medicine County AIS money for some restructuring of the landing & dock at Del Clark along with AIS signage. Hastad will remind Park Manager Fjerkenstad to get quotes for this to Kurt Johnson as there is a deadline use the funds. No further action was taken.

LQP Commissioner Marihart motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m., seconded by YM Commissioner Anthony. Upon vote, all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Nate Ludvigson, Recorder
LQP-YB Advisory Board