



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS Minutes

Executive Board Meeting  
Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 9:00 a.m.  
Kelly Inn/Green Mill – University B Room – St. Cloud, MN

### **Members in Attendance:**

Jean Christoffels, Murray Co

Kristi Gross, Goodhue Co.

Mandy Landkamer, Nicollet Co.

Larry Gasow, McLeod Co. (D)

Dale Oolman, Steele Co. (F)

Chris Pence, Crow Wing Co.

Angie Knish, Mower Co.

Terry Neff, Aitkin Co. (B)

Pam Flitter, Martin Co. (E)

### **Alternates and Others in Attendance:**

Julie Ring, AMC; Dave Weirens, BWSR; Angie Berg, Stearns Co (A); Mark Erickson, Renville Co; Tim Magnusson, Clay Co; Larry Gasow, McLeod Co; Jeff Pelowski Roseau Co; Eric Buitenwerf, Hubbard Co

### **Call to Order**

Attendance Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

MSP: Pam/Bill

Approval of Minutes of the September 24, 2014 Meeting

MSP: Pam/Angie (change page 3 add a like under would like to be on committee)

### **Treasurer's Report – Angie Knish**

2014 Budget Update Report

Checking/Savings Account

Membership

- Angie read account balances
- Membership has not changed
- Budget is on target, we were short based on overage for Spring Conference

MSP: Bill/Terry

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2014 Audit Report – Pam Flitter and Dale Oolman

- Everything looks good
- Angie does a good job making it easy to audit

MSP: Bill/Larry

### **New Business**

Proposed changes to the NRBG – Dave Weirens

- BWSR has traditionally requested more money, we'll wait and see
- biannual budget request is very helpful
- Package grant, 3 parts BWSR (LWM, WCA, Shoreland) is responsible for MPCA add on SSTS, feedlot
- Only talking about BWSR pieces to make more efficient
  - Program needs help Roseau County had 5 imminent health threats and they were delayed until November 15, and now 3 have to move because the systems won't be fixed over winter.
  - Can't spend first, need predictability

- Called a block grant, but not really a block grant.
- Right now, can't split the match, going forward trying to give county flexibility
- Went through options for improving administrative efficiency

#### BWSR WCA Stakeholder Process – Dave Weirens

- December 2012-Executive Order 12-4
- Stakeholder priorities identified in September 2014
  - 5 priorities identified
  - Potential implementation of priorities
  - Brian is at the table, comments can also be sent to Dave

#### AMC Updates – Julie Ring

- AMC legislative priorities, one is WCA banking issues. Working to scope out what position is.
- 404 assumption burning issue. Find feasibility study on what would look like in MN
  - Have better control locally within the state
- Jennifer Berquam- Environmental Services Analyst, starts on December 22 working to set up meetings for her. Annalee will also sit down with her and bring her up to speed.
  - Committee administrator for ag and rural
  - Finance committee administrator
- Land split did not make final priorities, but will work to get it done.
- Review & Approve MACPZA/AMC Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
  - Angie, Concerns, clarified the addendum was taken out
- MSP: Angie, Larry

#### Board Appointment of 2015-2016 MACPZA Committee Members

- Clarified members
- MSP: Bill/Terry

#### MAPCED Meeting Update – Jean Christoffels

- Interested in opportunities to attend our trainings

#### SSRAP Comments needed-Kristi Gross

#### 2015 Board Meeting Schedule

- April 3<sup>rd</sup> is Good Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> or April 24<sup>th</sup> , leave it

#### Annual Conference- Giants Ridge, Biwabik September 23-25

- Signing contract, Chris
- Hotel rooms
- Group meals, cut check at end of conference
- Route contract and Chris will sign after comments are received
- Giants Ridge came in lowest
- Potential comp golf

#### Old Business

##### 2014 MACPZA Fall Conference Wrap-up – Kristi Gross

- Came in ~ \$1000 under budget
- Great turnout, no loose ends
- Positive comments

##### MACPZA Website Update – Bill Patnaude

- Will be meeting with Jennifer and get rolling

##### MPCA Commissioner January 12, 2015 Meeting

- Need comments for commissioner meeting

#### MACPZA Committee Reports

##### Legislative Committee – Mandy Landkamer

- None

Professional Development Committee – Bill Patnaude

- None

By-Laws Committee – Bill Patnaude

- None

**Other Committee Reports**

SSTS Advisory – Terry Neff

SIETF – Mandy Landkamer

- Intermediate not being able to treat high strength waste
  - Appreciate other counties support
- Grant amounts
- New legislation 2014 tank fee changes,
- Possible legislation pipe layers still have to be certified, but won't need separate bonds
- Seasonal campgrounds estimated peak flow
  - Holding tanks can take away from the peak flow numbers so it wouldn't require a state permit
- Lapse certification: one year to take test for area that you missed; give more flexibility test offered every 60 days.
  - Right now no grace period, this is their middle ground
- Winter soils training not working out
- New tank registration fact sheet coming

Joint Silica Sand Advisory – Kristi Gross

- Nothing further

Solar Work Group – Jean Christoffels

- Haven't met since last meeting hopefully soon

BWSR Groundwater Work Group – Dave Rush

- Not present no update

**Discussion**

**Other Business**

**Adjourn**

MSP: Terry/Bill to adjourn

**Next Meeting**

Friday, February 6, 2015 (American Burger Bar – St. Joseph, MN)

Respectfully Submitted,

Handwritten signature of Kristi Gross in black ink, with the text "Kristi Gross AICP CFM" written below the signature.

Kristi Gross  
Secretary

