



## APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting for **TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2022 6:30 pm**

**Meeting location:** Oak Grove City Hall. 19900 Nightingale St NW Oak Grove, MN

1. Call to Order

Mr. West called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: John West, Dan Denno, Patrick Sullivan, Joel Greenberg, Andrew Wood, Dan Breyen, Tim Harrington.

Absent: Ryan Sequin, Radja Lohse

Audience: Jamie Schurbon (ACD), Katie Kalland (recording secretary), Colleen Werdien (ACD)

3. Adopt Agenda

**Mr. Breyen made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Harrington seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

4. Approval of Minutes for January 4, 2022

**Mr. Harrington made a motion to approve the minutes from January 4, 2022. Mr. Breyen seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Treasurer's Report

a. Financial report

Mr. Sullivan discussed the financial report and gave the board an update on the bank statements. Balance of \$32,913.57 on February 18, 2022. Mr. Sullivan stated he now has access to the online banking account. The board agreed that Mr. West, Mr. Breyen and Mr. Sullivan (all signers) should all have access to the online banking account. Mr. Sullivan inquired about getting the mail. Ms. Kalland will email Mr. West and Mr. Sullivan when mail comes through at the Oak Grove City Hall.

**Mr. Denno made a motion to accept the financial report. Seconded by Mr. Wood. Motion carried unanimously.**

b. Member community invoicing update

Mr. Schurbon stated all communities have paid their first half.

6. Unfinished Business

a. Bethel reviews of URRWMO-required ordinances

Unknown at this time.

b. URRWMO joint powers agreement

Mr. Schurbon discussed the JPA. Ham Lake would be in favor of the changes if they made modifications like the City of Columbus. They would also like a separate line item on the property tax forms that go out to residents stating the charge and watershed organization.

c. 2023 draft budget

Mr. Schurbon discussed the 2023 budget and stated the changes from the previous meeting have been made. Mr. Schurbon will send to cities for ratification. He noted that he will prepare a 2021 mini-report of URRWMO activities to accompany the budget to the cities. Mr. West asked that that report compare work done in 2021 and planned work in 2022. **Mr. Breyen made a motion to approve the 2023 budget to be sent to the member cities for ratification. Mr. Sullivan seconded. Motion approved unanimously.**

d. Rum Riverbank stabilizations update

Mr. Schurbon discussed the progress of Dellwood Community Park in St. Francis. Two homeowners in Oak Grove around 221<sup>st</sup> and the Rum River are matching funds for a project as well. Mr. Schurbon stated that six different funding sources are coming together for this project, including URRWMO funds.

e. Lake George shoreline stabilizations update

Mr. Schurbon stated they are working on designs for seven projects and hoping to bid this summer.

f. Rum River 1W1P update

Mr. Schurbon stated the 1W1P has been sent to BWSR for the ninety day review/approval.

The board discussed the joint powers entity to be formed to implement the Rum One Watershed One Plan (1W1P). Discussion ensued about the pros and cons. Mr. Schurbon stated he could send a fact sheet to each URRWMO board member to get to their city councils, as they may want to direct their representatives' votes on whether the URRWMO should join. Mr. Schurbon reminded the board that the cities will not be members of the 1W1P, the URRWMO has the option to join. Mr. Schurbon asked the board to come prepared to vote on it at the May meeting. Mr. Schurbon stated the next meeting for 1W1P is April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Breyen volunteered to be representatives for the URRWMO at the 1W1P joint powers entity if the URRWMO chose to join. Mr. Sullivan stated he would be open to this taking on this role if the URRWMO were willing to provide reimbursement for mileage and a small per diem payment to cover expenses.

g. Watershed Based Implementation Funding (WBIF) grants update

Mr. Denno gave an update on WBIF. The grant requires a ten percent match. ACD was recommended to take the fiscal agent role and receive the grant funds for projects determined by the Rum metro WBIF convene partnership.

The board also discussed whole watershed WBIF, which is separate from the Rum metro WBIF. Use of that funding is decided by the joint powers entity to-be-formed to implement the Rum One Watershed One Plan (1W1P). The metro funds can be pooled with this whole watershed pot, but the metro group decided not to do so. Projects to be funded will be selected at an upcoming April meeting of the metro Rum WBIF partnership.

7. New Business

a. 2021 ACD water monitoring and management report

Mr. Schurbon gave an update on the report for 2021. This report detailed the ongoing projects, water monitoring and water quality.

b. 2022 ACD water monitoring and management contract

Mr. Schurbon discussed the 2022 contract with ACD. Mr. Schurbon stated that there is a 2021

credit of \$3,500 that will get applied to the 2022 contract. The credit is for grant application work that did not cost the anticipated amount in 2021. Mr. Schurbon stated that Rum River water monitoring includes a shared site with the Lower Rum River WMO where each pay half the costs because it is at the boundary between the two organizations. Mr. West inquired about the lake monitoring and water quality rates. Mr. Schurbon stated those rates are up due to inflation, especially lab fees.

**Mr. Harrington made a motion to approve the 2022 ACD contract totaling \$34,726. Mr. Sullivan seconded. Nays: Mr. Breyen. Ayes: All other members present. Motion passed.**

- c. Ramsey comp plan amendment

Mr. Schurbon recommended that the board take no action.

- 8. Mail

None

- 9. Other

None

- 10. Invoice(s)

- a. Recording Secretary services for 1-4-2022 meeting \$175

**Mr. Harrington made a motion to approve the \$175 invoice for the recording secretary. Mr. Sullivan seconded. Motion approved unanimously.**

- 11. Adjourn

**Mr. Breyen made a motion for adjournment at 7:38 p.m. Mr. Wood seconded. Nays: Mr. Denno. Ayes: All other members present. Motion passed.**

Respectfully submitted by: Katie Kalland, Recording Secretary.

Upcoming meetings: May 3 (annual meeting)