Nemadji One Watershed One Plan Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

8/1/2019

Start time: 10:00 AM End time: 11:30 PM

Location: Carlton SWCD: 808 3rd St, Carlton, MN 55718

Purpose: Introduction to 1W1P Process, Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Invitees:

Jerry Telker, Pine SWCD Supervisor

- Matt Ludwig, Pine County Commissioner
- Rick Dalen, Carlton SWCD Supervisor
- Mark Thell, Carlton County Commissioner
- Steering Team

Attendees:

- Jerry Telker, Pine SWCD Supervisor
- Matt Ludwig, Pine County Commissioner
- Rick Dalen, Carlton SWCD Supervisor
- Mark Thell, Carlton county Commissioner
- Melanie Bomier (Carlton SWCD)
- Brad Matlack (Carlton SWCD)

Meeting Minutes

M/S Approved June's meeting minutes Ludwig/Telker

M/S Approved the agenda Dalen/Telker

Melanie provided a financial report, showing that we are on track with our grant funds. There was no discussion.

Melanie provided a recap of the tour, survey results and total event expense totals. We received great feedback from tour participants and valuable information to be incorporated into the planning process.

Melanie provided a consultant update. The contract will be updated with recommended changes from the Carlton County Attorney and signed by the Carlton SWCD Chair once changes are made.

Melanie provided an update on the state response to planning notification. We extended the due date for responses until mid-September for all agencies. We were informed that MN Department of Agriculture does not have the staff to participate in the process, but we do expect responses from MN Department of Natural Resources and MN Department of Health. We have already received responses from MN Board of Soil and Water Resources and Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Melanie provided an update on the next steps to the planning process. A Steering Team planning meeting will be held Monday August 5th with a goal of planning topical meetings. These meetings will be an opportunity for stakeholders and field experts on each topic to provide priority issues and possible targets for our plan. These will be compiled and shared with the Policy Committee. In addition, it was suggested that we talk one-on-one with townships to hear what their stream/road concerns are.

There was a discussion on how to continue outreach throughout the planning process. A variety of ideas were discussed including: a podcast, additional outreach events, 2-page factsheets on the plan's progress, newsletters through extension and SWCDs, newspaper articles, County Board presentations and radio interviews. Melanie will research these for the next Policy Committee meeting.

Melanie provided a presentation of the online Land and Waters inventory application: https://arcg.is/10iiem This is still a work in progress, but has a lot of watershed information and can be shared with stakeholders. It is easily updated, and will be added to as we go through the planning process.

M/S Motion to adjourn Telker/Dalen.

Next meeting is planned for Thursday October 3rd 9:00 to 11:00 at the Carlton SWCD office.

Action Items

- The Steering Team will meet and organize Topical Meetings to be held this fall.
- Melanie will research outreach ideas to present to the Policy Committee.
- Melanie will follow up with Pine SWCD on having a link to the Land and Waters inventory application.