# COTTONWOOD – MIDDLE MINNESOTA CWMP POLICY COMMITTEE (RCRCA)

July 3, 2025 – Board of Directors Meeting Lyon County Government Center – Marshall, MN/Hybrid

Roll call votes on all motions - \*attended via Zoom

**RCRCA Members Present:** Jeff Veerkamp, Mark Wellner\*, Larry Anderson, Joe Drietz, Gary Crowley, Allen Deutz\*, Loy Woelber\*, Paul Posthuma, Luke Johnson, Rick Wakefield, Ed Carter and Glen Kack.

**Others Present:** Kerry Netzke – Executive Director, and Joy Bruns – RCRCA Office Manager, Greg Thole – LQP County Commissioner.

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:12 AM.

**ADOPT AGENDA.** Netzke requested an addition to the agenda to discuss reassigning earned interest to RCRCA. Motion by Carter, seconded by Veerkamp, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>CW-MM WBIF - June 2025 Minutes.</u> Motion by Crowley, seconded by Anderson, to approve June 2025 Minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>CW-MM WBIF – June 2025 Financial Report.</u> Financials were reviewed with the Board: Interest received from MAGIC Account, \$1,030.62; and expenditure of \$201.00 for administrative costs. Motion by Veerkamp, seconded by Drietz, to approve the June 2025 Financial Report subject to audit and to approve payment of the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

<u>CW-MM WBIF – Approve Cost Share Contracts.</u> Netzke presented four cost share contracts for WASCOB projects totaling \$33,914.49. Motion by Carter, seconded by Wakefield, to approve the WASCOB cost share contracts. Motion carried unanimously.

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#### **NEW STRUCTURAL PROJECTS**

Red (Action Needed)	#C25- 0341 CWMM- WBIF Grant	Contract	Amendment	Payment Request	New Contract Funds	Total Project Cost	Slippage	Project Description	Approval Needed Tech/Policy
Dan Lanoue	FY25- WBIF	25- CWMM- LYO-001			5,955.78	7,006.80		638 WASCOB	Policy
Dan Lanoue	FY25- WBIF	25- CWMM- LYO-002			12,961.65	15,249.00		638 WASCOB	Policy
Dan Lanoue	FY25- WBIF	25- CWMM- LYO-003			9,600.75	11,295.00		638 WASCOB – 2	Policy
Dan Lanoue	FY25- WBIF	25- CWMM- LYO-004			5,396.31	6,348.60		638 WASCOB	Policy
Totals					33,914.49	39,899.40			

CW-MM WBIF – Approve Request for Brown CD28 MDM Plan. Netzke presented a Multi-Purpose Drainage Management plan request for approval in the amount of \$10,000.00. ISG submitted a quote detailing the project involving backed-up water into Brown County from Watonwan County and how this plan may identify potential storage opportunities within the CD28 system. Discussion followed with Commissioner Veerkamp providing more background information on this border issue. Motion by Anderson, seconded by Drietz, to approve this request for \$10,000. Motion carried unanimously.

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CD28	FY25-				\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00		Multipurpose Drainage	Policy
MDM PLAN	WBIF							Management	

Watershed Coordinator Position Update. One applicant applied for the new position. The hiring subcommittee reviewed the applicant's qualifications and requested an interview. Netzke, Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Anderson and the Brown and Cottonwood SWCD Managers interviewed the applicant the morning of July 2. The subcommittee feels the applicant is more than qualified and would be an excellent addition to RCRCA in this position. Discussion followed. The starting wage and increases following the 6-month probation and when the Redwood River implementation begins were agreed upon. If this is not acceptable, negotiations will be allowed with Netzke communicating with the RCRCA Executive Board and Commissioner Anderson. Motion by Posthuma, seconded by Drietz,

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to authorize extending an employment offer to this individual with the terms discussed. Motion carried unanimously.

CW-MM WBIF – Disbursal of Grant Proceeds. Agreements have been received from Brown County, Brown SWCD, Cottonwood County, Cottonwood SWCD and Lyon SWCD. This agreement allows RCRCA to pay these entities from the WBIF grant for staff time reimbursements for Project Development and Technical Assistance. The other counties/SWCDs have not had their meetings yet to approve the agreement. Authorization for the chairman and executive director to sign the agreements is requested. Motion by Veerkamp, seconded by Carter, to authorize these signatures. Motion carried unanimously.

**CW-MM WBIF – Reassignment of Interest Earned**. Netzke requested that interest earned by the CW-MM WBIF investment be reassigned to the RCRCA General Fund to help offset the deficit of administrative expenses not covered by the grants. Motion by Crowley, seconded by Drietz, to direct WBIF interest earnings to the RCRCA General Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**. With no other business to address, Chairman Johnson adjourned the meeting at 10:38 AM.

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS:**

August Board Meeting September Board Meeting Thursday, August 7, 2025

Thursday, Sept. 4, 2025

Redwood Co. Learning Center

Lyon County Government Center

Luke Johnson RCRCA Chairman

Date