

**Minutes**  
**Southeast Minnesota Water Resources Board Meeting**  
**September 10, 2007**

Commissioners Present: Dave Hanson (Dodge), Stafford Hansen (Fillmore), Ann Thompson (Houston), Judy Ohly (Olmsted), Jake Gillen (Rice), Bruce Kubicek (Steele), Marcia Ward (Winona), Duane Bakke (Fillmore), Jim Bryant (Goodhue), Jerry Heim (Winona), Peter Riester (Wabasha), Dick Cummings (Mower), Richard Samuelson (Goodhue).

Others Present: Bea Hoffmann (SEMWRB), Mark Gamm (Dodge), Rich Biske (Nature Conservancy)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dave Hanson at 9:00 AM.

1. Motion by Bakke to approve Minutes of July 9, 2007 Board Meeting; second by Heim. Motion passed unanimously.
2. Motion by Ohly to approve Root River Partnership MOU; second by Ward. Motion passed unanimously
3. Motion by Cummings to approve March July 31, 2007 Budget vs. Actual report; second by Gillen. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Bea Hoffmann presented Executive Director's Report.
5. Cummings and Hanson summarized survey responses from Water Planners and Commissioners regarding job performance of Executive Director. Consensus of the JPB is that future survey responses should be categorized into two groups: responses from Commissioners and responses from Water Planners. Motion by Samuelson to approve an overall performance rating for the Executive Director as "satisfactory"; second by Ohly. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Motion by Cummings to set the 2008 salary increase for the Executive Director at 3%; second by Gillen. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Motion by Gillen to set 2008 dues at \$4,000 per county, second by Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Motion by Gillen to review 2009 draft budget and county contributions in August of 2008, in place of the September meeting; second by Thompson. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Motion by Ohly to approve 2008 budget as recommended by Executive Committee; second by Hanson. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Motion by Bryant to authorize Board Chair to sign agreement with Winona County to Prepare 2006 financial statements; second by Kubicek. Motion passed unanimously.
11. Motion by Bakke to support the submittal of a grant proposal: "Assistance for Undersewered Communities in Lower Mississippi/Cedar River Basin"; second by Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.
12. Motion by Ohly to approve submittal of Clean Water Legacy Proposal for "fixing septic systems posing an imminent threat to public health in critical areas"; Second by Ward. Motion passed unanimously.
13. Motion by Ward to approve partnership with Whitewater Watershed LCCMR Grant Proposal re: Riparian Buffers; second by Hanson. Motion passed unanimously.
14. Consensus of JPB is that a seminar on flood impacts to streams should take priority over planned seminar on ethanol impacts and that the seminar should take place in first part of 2008 rather than the end of 2007.
15. Motion by Cummings to adjourn the meeting; second by Bakke. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Mark Gamm  
 Dodge Environmental Quality Director

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Commissioner Dave Hanson, Chairperson

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_