

Minutes: Monday, February 26, 2018
RPBCWD Citizen's Advisory Committee Monthly Meeting
Location: RPBCWD offices: 18681 Lake Street, Chanhassen

CAC Members

Jim Boettcher	P	Curt Kobilarcsik	P	Marilynn Torkelson	P
Paul Bulger	P	Matt Lindon	P	Lori Tritz	P
Anne Deuring	P	Sharon McCotter	P	David Ziegler	P
Peter Iverson	P	Joan Palmquist	P		

Others

Michelle Jordan	District Liaison	P
Claire Bleser	RPBCWD Administrator	P
Dick Ward	RPBCWD Board Member	P
Terry Jeffrey	RPBCWD Permits and Project Management	P

Summary of key actions/motions for the Board of Managers:

1. **Motion:** The CAC approved the direction of the 10-year plan but would like to see more specifics on trending of impairments within given water bodies and how that affects the ratings of the project. The CAC advises that we revisit the ranking tool at a minimum of every 3 years and recalculate the scoring of proposed projects at a minimum of every 3 years.

5:30 pm New member Orientation Workshop

Michelle Jordan explained her purpose as liaison and support to the CAC. Everyone introduced themselves and identified where in the watershed they lived. Michelle presented everyone with the book "Watersheds: A Practical Handbook for Healthy Water" by Clive Dobson and Gregor Gilpin Beck. Michelle gave an overview of origin, purpose, governance, and powers of the RPBCWD. Michelle also covered development of the 10-year plan, current activities of the district (monitoring, projects, permitting, cost share program, and education and outreach), board, staff, volunteers, and advisory committees (TAC and **CAC**), and last year's activities of the CAC (advising on 10-year plan, hosted a 25 by 25 community meeting, subcommittee work). New members were provided with a notebook of relevant information.

We all were invited to share our ideas on:

1. Why are you here?
2. What do you hope to get out of your experience?
3. What are your ideas for what the CAC could accomplish this year?
- 4.

Michelle will distribute a transcribed copy of our responses.

Closed the workshop.

CAC Meeting

1. **Call CAC Meeting to Order:** Chair Ziegler called the meeting to order at 6:21 pm.
2. **Attendance:** As noted above
3. **Matters of general public interest:** None
4. **Approval of Agenda:** Michelle asked if we could add a rules change proposal to the agenda. We have had a request from a resident to have agendas sent to them before the meeting. Agendas will be posted on website prior to the meeting, but will not be emailed separately. Motion was made and seconded by Palmquist/McCotter to approve agenda inserting rules change item. Carried unanimously.
5. **Approval of January 22, 2018 CAC Meeting Minutes:** Motion and second to approve minutes by McCotter/Iverson carried.

6. **Election of Officers:** We would normally conduct elections in January except we were delayed by weather. Pete Iverson moved and Jim Boetcher seconded to adopt the slate of officers:

Chair: David Ziegler

Vice Chair: Sharon McCotter

Recorder: Anne Deuring

Carried unanimously. Special thanks to Joan Palmquist for the past year of recordings.

7. **Update on public comments on 10-year Plan:** Claire Bleser, District Administrator, explained the next steps in the 10-year plan process. The public hearing will be at 7:00 pm on March 15 at the district offices. The Board of Managers will receive the comments from the public hearing, recommend modifications or not, and send it to BWSR (Board of Water and Soil Resources) for the ultimate approval.

Most comments have been positive. The goals were listed alphabetically, not prioritized, which has elicited many comments. This will be clarified in the final draft.

Several members of the CAC commented that the goals were not SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) enough. So the District added the following to Section 9:

The overarching district-wide outcomes of implementing this plan over the next 10 years will be:

- 41,000 linear feet of streambank, shoreline, ravine and slope stabilization
- 3,200 pounds of phosphorus reduction per year
- 11 acres of habitat restored
- 4.1 million gallons of groundwater conserved per year

Much discussion on the strength of the smart goals, frequency of reevaluations, effectiveness of regulations over projects, appetite for increasing levy, comprehensiveness of assessments, reacting to trends, length of trends, the ability to revise the plan if needs arise. David Ziegler moved and Joan Palmquist seconded to report to board that we approve the direction of the 10-year plan but would like to see more specifics on trending of impairments within given water bodies and how that affects the ratings of the project. Discussion none. Motion Carried. Paul Bulger moved and Sharon McCotter seconded that we revisit the ranking tool at a minimum of every 3 years and recalculate the scoring of proposed projects at a minimum of every 3 years. Manager Dick Ward emphasized it is a working document that can be changed. Motion carried.

8. **Rules Change Proposal:** Terry Jeffrey, Project & Permit Manager, stated that our efforts at restricting rates of water runoff is not creating the effect we want. We still have significant scour effect going on. We need a rule that seeks to prevent further channel erosion and we're trying to find most cost effective way to capture most benefit.

Proposal - Consider enhancing the stormwater management regulation to include a channel protection performance standard, as follows, instead of the existing 2-year rate control criteria: Match pre-settlement flow duration curve within 10%.

After extensive modeling we found extending detention by reducing the size of the primary orifice (outlet) for 2-year rains to be a cost effective. Projects would be exempt if they are improving impervious surface from existing conditions.

The CAC is eager to hear what the TAC thinks about this proposed regulation. A schematic would be helpful.

9. **2018 Priorities:** We will continue to check in on priorities.

10. **Addition of bylaw change procedures:** The Board approved our bylaw change. Legal counsel Louis Smith simplified it as follows: These bylaws may be amended by a two thirds majority vote of the CAC members following 30 days written notice of the proposed amendment. Joan Palmquist moved and

Paul Bulger seconded. Motion carried. Michelle requested an updated copy of the bylaws. Anne will update bylaws and send to Michelle.

11. **Draft 2018 Calendar:** Michelle added O&E events to calendar that David distributed. A turf alternative workshop is yet to be scheduled. Sharon asked to have board workshop topics noted so we know if it will be repeated in a CAC presentation or not. Wetlands Walk is May 19. We should always include a date on the calendar to avoid version control issues. Because it is always changing, the calendar will not be on the website. Michelle will send updated calendar.
12. **Road Salt symposium notes:** Notes were distributed by email. David summarized: Where ever we have snow and roads we have salt pollution. Sweden doesn't salt and has no chloride pollution. We expect roads to be perfect in US. No salt is best. Learn to drive. Rock salt is cheap and the least effective. Salt brine is more effective according to extensive testing conducted by Minnesota State Mankato.
13. **Worthwhile Events:** Claire Bleser and Michelle Jordan have suggested two events CAC members would be encouraged to go to: MAWD Conference and Trade Show, Nov. 28 – Dec. 1, 2018 and the State of the Water Conference hosted by Freshwater Society in Breezy Point on April 12-14. Please respond to Michelle by March 9 to let her know if interested in either of these events. Attenders are encouraged to share notes from these events with the CAC. Jim Boetcher suggested another worthwhile event, a Stormwater Workshop on March 9 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am. You can preregister by sending an e-mail with your name, e-mail address, phone number, and affiliation to mseveland@co.carver.mn.us . Registration begins at 8:00 am at the Carver County Government Center 604 East 4th St. Chaska, MN 55318.
14. **Updates from subcommittees**
 - a. **Storm Drain** (Sharon, Matt): Sharon met with Chanhassen's Jill Sinclair, natural resources person, to plan a clean-up on October 27 (rain date 28). Sharon will also be meeting with the Silver Lake Homeowner's association on February 28, interested in doing projects, such as piloting the Freshwater Society clean-up kit, composting, doorknockers, etc.

Sharon resurfaced a request from Jill Sinclair from 2010 on partnering on a lawn aeration project. We would suggest that we make sure the aerator is effective from a water quality standpoint. If anyone on the CAC is interested in hearing more, they should reach out to Sharon.
 - b. **Silt Sock:** Anne met with Terry Jeffrey and is resuming total storm drain efforts with a new product.
 - c. **Speaker's Bureau** (Joan) No update. Plan to meet with subcommittee after this meeting.
 - d. **Lake Associations** (David) No update
 - e. **Update on status of Sustainability Class sponsorship requested by Lori and supported by CAC**
The first class will be April 21 at the Eden Prairie Library from 1:00 – 3:00. The RPBC Watershed District will help promote and sponsor. We are invited to be involved to help facilitate the small group hands on focus.
15. **2018 March 19 CAC agenda items**
 - a. Input on E&O including how to interface with other CACs
 - b. Website Update and how we use it
 - c. CAC Priorities for year on website
16. **Upcoming events**
 - a. Landscaping for Wildlife & Water Quality, March 10, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, \$25
 - b. RPBCWD Board of Managers Workshop and meeting, March 15, at 5:30 pm, 18681 Lake Drive East
 - c. 10-year Plan Public Hearing March 15, 7:00 pm, 18681 Lake Drive East
 - d. RPBCWD CAC meeting March 19, at 6:00 pm, 18681 Lake Drive East
 - e. Turf Maintenance Workshop, March 22; at 9:00 am, at District Office
17. **Adjourn CAC meeting:** Motion and second to adjourn by Joan Palmquist and Jim Boettcher, carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm.