

Pomme de Terre River Association  
Joint Powers Board  
**Minutes**  
**August 10, 2018**  
USDA-ARS Soils Lab, Morris MN

Chair Swanson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Members present: Jeanne Ennen, Keith Englund, Keith Swanson, John Lindquist, Rod Wenstrom, Paul Groneberg, Clint Schuerman, Joe Fox, Dan Morrill, Dave Lonergan (9:20). Others present: Steph Adams, Watershed Coordinator; Pete Waller, BWSR; Paul Wymar, MPCA; Chris Staebler, Stevens SWCD; Andy Rice, TAC, Swift SWCD.

Keith Englund moved to approve the agenda as amended. Second by Jeanne Ennen. Passed unanimously.

Joe Fox moved to approve the minutes from the July 13 meeting. Second by Clint Schuerman. Passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by John Lindquist and a second by Rod Wenstrom  
Passed unanimously.

Joe Fox moved to pay the bills. Second by Keith Englund. Passed unanimously.

#### **Grant & Activity Overview**

Steph gave a grant overview reporting on progress in each of the grants.

- The 2014 federal 319 grant will close at the end of August. Steph outlined the amount of funding that has been spent.
- The 2016 CWF is ready to close.
- Steph summarized progress on the rest of the grants.
- WRAPs public participation grant was approved.
- Summer technician will work through this month.

There was discussion on the new MPCA 10% retainage policy. Steph did just learn that this does not affect 319 grants. Right now, we have just the WRAPs grant that would be affected. Our cash flow may become an issue and we could comment on the policy at that time if necessary.

Steph described the pending CWF application and talked about potential phosphorus and sediment goals and how these relate to goals which will be identified in watershed long range planning. This application will involve more project development and technical assistance focusing on learning to use and implement the PTMApp. Funding will be used primarily for identifying and starting to plan projects that will make the most impact and potentially be funded in the future.

Jeanne Ennen moved to approve pollution reduction goals of 12% phosphorus and 25% sediment at each of the HUC 10 outlets within the watershed. Second by John Lindquist. Passed unanimously.

### Coordinator's Report

- Most of Steph's time this month was working with the TAC on the CWF application. Many discussions and changes were made and they are still working on the best way to apply for the funding in the very competitive round of applications.
- Both river runs went well.
- Steph worked a shift at the Stevens SWCD fair.

### TAC Report

- Andy Rice gave a report on recent TAC activity. They've mostly been working on 1W1P issue statements.

### 1W1P

- Steph gave an updated timeline to the board. They have been spending more time than expected on the issue statements and this is pushing other items out further. Looking for a completion date next August, but this is on an aggressive schedule.
- There was a 20% contingency built into this grant, and the consultants are still working on the process. The last citizens advisory committee meeting has been postponed a couple months.
- She is starting to send 1-page summary reports once a month after committee meetings to planning committee members and she will also send them to the JPB.
- An issue statements document was sent out after the last planning meeting and the TAC is looking for the JPB to give tentative approval of the issue statements. Steph read through the statements and took comments from the board regarding revisions.
- Goals will be addressed in a similar format to the issue statement document at a future meeting.

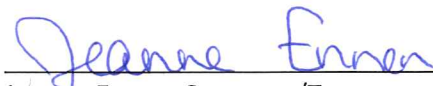
### Agency Reports

- Paul Wymar, MPCA, mentioned he thought the recent interview for the 319 small watershed grant was good.
- Pete Waller, BWSR, thanked the county boards for their work on the buffer law compliance. The BWSR board meets outside of St Paul once a year. This year's summer meeting will be in Worthington. He mentioned we might want to ask them to visit this region next year.

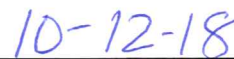
The next meeting will be held October 12 at 9:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanne Ennen, Secretary/Treasurer



Date