

Pomme de Terre River Association
Joint Powers Board
Minutes
May 10th, 2019
USDA-ARS Soils Lab, Morris MN

Meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m.

Members present; Rod Wenstrom, Dave Lonergan, Tim Kalina, Jeanne Ennen, Joe Fox. Others present; Steph Adams, Watershed Coordinator; Pete Waller, BWSR; Chris Staebler, Andy Albertson; Swift SWCD/ TAC chairman

JPB meeting did not reach meet the quorum. Members agreed to move forward with the meeting agenda and table any items requiring approval for the next meeting.

Grants Overview:

Stephanie reviewed current open grants and ongoing projects: 2017 CWF: 75% Spent and expires December 2019. 1W1P: over 50% spent. 2016 Fed 319: ~50% funds encumbered. WRAPS II- public participation project. 2019 CWF- over \$500,000 available. 2018 Federal 319 proposal was recommended by MPCA to EPA for funding in 2020.

Soil Health Initiatives

Stephanie and Andy talked about ideas from the WRAPS steering committee to form Soil Health Teams and landowner-led field days. There is a MN Soil Health Coalition that, for \$25/year we can become affiliates of to obtain a number of additional resources that relate to our goals on the local scale.

TAC Report

The TAC is currently looking at potential BWSR Tour Bus stops for the August Tour and discussing the potentials for a July meeting for an initial Soil Health Team Steering meeting

One Watershed, One Plan (1W1P)

Stephanie reviewed the work that has been completed thus far for 1W1P, remaining funding, timeline, and work to be completed by EOR. Members discussed potential scenarios if EOR were to request more funding (they seem to be slightly over budget in some areas). Steph and Pete talked about the current contingency funding within the 1W1P grant if that were to happen. No additional funding has been requested yet, EOR will send a proposal if they need to.

Internal Review of the Drafted plan will take place May through June and a presentation of the drafted plan for JPB approval will take place at the August JPB meeting.

Budget / Bills

Chris reviewed the treasures report and Q1 report. No motions for approve made due to no quorum.

Next meeting date July 12th, 2019 (No JPB meeting in June)

Meeting adjourned 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Ennen, Secretary/Treasurer

Date