

Minutes from the Leech Lake River Watershed Policy Meeting
10:00 AM Thursday December 19th, 2024
Cass County Courthouse, Commissioner's Board Room
303 Minnesota Ave W., Walker, MN

Attendance: Chairman Lynn Goodrich, Hubbard SWCD Supervisor; Vice Chair Neil Gaalswyk, Cass County Commissioner; Tom Kuschel, Cass SWCD Supervisor; Tom Krueger, Hubbard County Commissioner (alternate); Darren Mayers, BWSR; Jeff Hrubes, BWSR; Dana Gutzmann, Cass SWCD; Ryan Carlson, Cass SWCD; Jake Shaughnessy, Hubbard SWCD; Paul Radomski, DNR

1. Meeting called to order at 10:00am by Lynn Goodrich.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of the agenda for discussion (any requests to be heard not on the proposed agenda are considered for inclusion at this time).
 - a. Motion to approve the agenda. Motion made by Tom Kuschel, seconded by Lynn Goodrich. Approved unanimously.
4. Approve meeting minutes from 02/27/2024 Policy Committee Meeting.
 - a. Motion to approve the meeting minutes from 02/27/2024. Motion made by Tom Kuschel, seconded by Neil Gaalswyk. Approved unanimously.
5. Updates from Technical Advisory Committee Meeting held on November 4, 2024, and accomplishments in the watershed from 2020-current.
6. Presentation on Disappearing Shorelines by Paul Radomski and Jeff Hrubes.
7. Presentation on Birch and Kabekona Lake Shoreline Stewardship Program by Ryan Carlson.
8. Updates on the Phase 2 and Phase 3 workplan budgets.
9. Motion to move \$16,757.47 from Pasture Management and \$18,139.53 from Forestry to Project Development in the Phase 2 workplan budget. Motion made by Tom Kuschel, seconded by Neil Gaalswyk. Approved unanimously.
10. Review plans for Leech Lake River Watershed Comprehensive Plan Updates – 5-year mid-point review and BWSR Performance Review and Assistance Program (PRAP).
11. Motion to approve applying for BWSR mid-point grant for \$50,000. Motion made by Neal Gaalswyk, seconded by Tom Krueger. Approved unanimously.

12. Motion to contract with Houston Engineering for assistance with plan amendment for \$37,200. Motion made by Tom Krueger, seconded by Lynn Goodrich. Approved unanimously.
13. Next meeting to be scheduled via doodle poll pending progress of mid-point review and performance review and assessment program.
14. Motion to adjourn at 12:06 PM made by Neal Gaalswyk, seconded by Tom Krueger. Approved unanimously.