



Yellow Medicine River Watershed District

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Regular Monthly Board Meeting Agenda

January 18, 2023, Wednesday 10:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order

- 1.1. Set Agenda **Biggs moved to approve. Volstad Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
- 1.2. Dec. Regular Meeting Minutes **Biggs moved to approve. Olsen Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
- 1.3. Treasurer Report **Biggs moved to approve. Olsen Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
- 1.4. Organization Business
 - 1.4.1. Election of officers – After discussion **Elmo moved to keep the officers the same for 2022, and starting in 2023 we would rotate up the officers each year. Olsen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**
2023 Officers:
President – Randy Kamrath
Vice President – Bill Briggs
Secretary – Elmo Volstad
Treasurer – Tim Buysse
Public Relations – Faith Olsen
 - 1.4.2. Designation of Official Depository – **Olsen moved to approve Bank of the West. Briggs Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
 - 1.4.3. Designation of Official Newspaper – **Briggs moved to approve Minneota Mascot. Olsen Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
 - 1.4.4. Designation of Legal Counsel – **Biggs moved to approve John Engels. Volstad Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
 - 1.4.5. Board Assignments – 1W1P (Briggs Primary, Olsen Alternate); Lyon Parks (Buysse)
 - 1.4.6. Per Diem, mileage, Reimbursement Rates **Volstad moved to set 2023 Per Diem rate at \$100 for any meeting less than 4 hours and \$125 for any meeting over 4 hours, this includes travel time. Briggs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**
Olsen moved to adopt the IRS milage rate for 2023. Volstad seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
Briggs moved to have reimbursement rates at actual cost, (Food, Hotel, Supplies etc.) Olsen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Permits to Approve

- 2.1. None

3. Public Comments and Reports

- 3.1. Public Comments
- 3.2. Manager Reports
- 3.3. Technical Reports – Timm gave an update



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3.4. Administrative Report – Overholser gave an update

4. Old Business

4.1 None

5. New Business

5.1. Legislative Days February 15-16 4:00 p.m. (FYI)

5.2. MAWD ByLaws (FYI)

5.3. MN Finance FYI

5.4. COLA – Olsen moved to set 2023 COLA at 10%. **Volstad seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

5.5. Administrators Pay Review – **Briggs moved to set Administrators 2023 pay increase at 7.5%. Olsen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

5.6. Insurance – The districts health insurance rose by \$586.34 per employee for 2023. **Olsen moved to raise the benefit allowance by \$500 per employee. Briggs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

6. YM1W1P WBIF Cost-Share Contracts

6.1. None

7. YM1W1P WBIF Cost-Share Payments

7.1. Gorecki – 2022-006 - \$12,432.88 **Olsen moved to approve the payment. Briggs seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

7.2. Paluch – 2022-017 - \$11,043.73 **Briggs moved to approve the payment. Olsen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

7.3. Jerzak – 2022-005 - \$5,537.00 **Olsen moved to approve the payment. Volstad seconded. Motion passed unanimously.**

Adjourn

Dates to Note:

Feb. Board Meeting

Wed. February 15th 10:00 a.m. (Michelle will attend Virtually)
Meeting was cancelled

MAWD Special Meeting

Wednesday, February 15th 3:30 p.m.

Legislative Days

Wednesday, February 15th 4:00 p.m.

Legislative Days

Wednesday, February 15

Location: Radisson Hotel - Capitol Ridge, St. Paul - 161 St Anthony Ave, St Paul, MN 55103
8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. - Minnesota Association of Watershed Administrators Meeting



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1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. - MAWD Board of Directors Meeting

4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. - Legislative Briefing

6:00 P.M – 8:00 P.M. - Member Networking Event with Legislators. We encourage all regional caucuses to meet during this time.

Thursday, February 16

7:00 A.M. – 8:30 A.M. - Breakfast at the Radisson Hotel - Capitol Ridge with Members and Legislators

8:30 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. - Meet with Legislators (*Please schedule your own meetings.)

The registration refund deadline is February 7. Registration rates will increase to \$150 after February 9.