

YELLOW MEDICINE **ONE WATERSHED, ONE PLAN**
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
April 23, 2018
Minneota Public Library, Minneota MN, 56264

Members Present:

Committee members present: Rick Anderson (Lyon County), Tim Buysse (YMRWD), Joe Drietz (Lincoln County), Tim Dritz (YMRWD), Jeff Johnson (LQP SWCD), Luke Johnson (Area II), Gary Crowley (Lyon County), Ron Antony (YM County) and Glen Sorensen (Lincoln SWCD).

Plan Work Group (PWG) Members Present:

Jason Beckler (BWSR), John Biren (Lyon County/SWCD), Chessa Frahm (LQP SWCD), Jolene Johnson (Yellow Medicine County), Tyler Knutson (YM SWCD), Kerry Netzke (Area II), Michelle Overholser (YMRWD), and Dale Sterzinger (Lincoln SWCD).

Chairman Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

Agenda

Motion made by Drietz, seconded by Jeff Johnson, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Minutes

Motion made by Luke Johnson, seconded by Drietz, to approve the February 26, 2018 Policy Committee meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Updates

- NWQI – Tyler Knutson reported that they had four applications that were not funded. They did get one nutrient management plan and 3 cover crop applications were funded. Ann Wessel from BWSR and met and interviewed Knutson, Overholser, Beckler, and Netzke about the YM1W1P and NWQI grant for an article that will be able to be printed in local and regional papers. She also interviewed Ron Antony for the article.
- RCPP – There is no word as to when sign up will be or when the funds will become available.
- Partner Projects – Lincoln has some projects that are engineered and ready to go. Most are 638s or basins with waterways and a possible wetland restoration designed by Area II in Marble Township. Lyon possibly has a 638 SW of Minneota and a potential road project along the North Branch.
- Grant – Overholser reported that the work plan was submitted and the grant agreement signed. The funds are expected by mid-May.
- Citizen Monitoring – Information about MPCAs citizen monitoring program and how to sign up.

Policy Committee Bylaws Revisions

The committee that was nominated during the February 26th meeting, met to revise and update the current Bylaws in March 2018. Overholser presented the revised Bylaws and Luke Johnson made a motion to approve the changes to the Bylaws. Hollis Weber seconded. Motion carried on a voice vote. The updated Bylaws will be signed at the August meeting.

With no other business to address, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Overholser, YMRWD Administrator