



**Lower Cedar Watershed Management Authority
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 5th, 2019 at 6:30 pm
Cedar County Courthouse
400 Cedar Street Tipton, IA**

Board Members present: Jon Bell (Cedar County), Richard Golinghorst (Scott County SWCD), Bill Waldie (Johnson County), Nick Nissen (City of Mt. Vernon), Travis Glynn (Muscatine SWCD), Alan Weets (Cedar SWCD), Robert Broulik (Linn County SWCD), James Drahos (City of Bertram), John Kostichek (City of Walcott), Travis Bagby (City of Lisbon), Jason Foster (City of Atalissa), Jacob Donaghy (City of Cedar Rapids), Jody Bailey (Johnson County SWCD), Brinson Kinzer (Scott County).

Others Present: Chad Arp (City of Cedar Rapids), Sue Hall (press), Tara Cullison (Bi-State Regional), Jennifer Fencil (ECICOG), Tim Mallot (Cedar County EMA), Brian Wright (Muscatine County EMA)

- I. Call to order and introductions**
 - a. Meeting called to order by Chairperson Jon Bell at 6:33 pm
- II. Approval of the Agenda-** (Action) Motion by Golinghorst, second by Nissen. Motion carried.
- III. Approval of Minutes-** (Action) minutes from November 13th, 2018 Board meeting Motion by Golinghorst, second by Weets. Motion carried.
- IV. Secretary vote** (Action)
 - a. Nominations: Mt. Vernon. Motion by Bagby, second by Travis Glynn
 1. Cast ballot – motion by Waldie, second by Golinghorst. Motion carried
 2. City of Mt. Vernon- Nick Nissen selected as secretary.
- V. Identify additional board members and alternates:** Bertram & Durant submitted signed 28 E agreement
- VI. Fiscal Agent update and Instructions:** Bill Waldie updated the LCWMA Board on the process to send in start up fund requests.
 - a. Holly will mail invoice to organization; it will include instructions
 - b. Organization will send check to Johnson County Auditor with a copy of invoice

- VII. Lower Cedar WMA Adoption (Action)**
a. Motion to adopt logo 3b by Waldie, second by Kostichek. Motion carried
- VIII. Preparation to submit for Watershed Planning Grant**
a. Collected and discussed county Hazard Mitigation plans: Muscatine County, Cedar County, Linn County, Johnson County, & Scott County
b. Priorities for water quality/flood mitigation information request due April 19th. Email will be sent out with 4 questions to be answered by each entity- suggestions of who to talk with included.
1. Specific locations (bridges, roads, neighborhoods, etc) that are routinely affected by flooding, and are in need of mitigation projects – talk with emergency planners, engineers
 2. Water quality concerns (drinking water, recreation, etc) that members would like to address- health and environmental department
 3. Funding needs (what projects would the city do if they had unlimited resources)-city planners, public works, county conservation,
 4. Water based recreation opportunities or challenges- County Conservation
- IX. Spring Flood Outlook:** powerpoint by Jessica Brooks, Service Hydrologist NWS Quad Cities, shared by Holly Howard due to Jessica’s inability to attend.
a. Contact Jessica Brooks- 563-391-7094 ext 493 or jessica.brooks@noaa.gov
b. Jessica would like to be a resource to entities to help prepare and plan.
- X. Grant Updates**
a. Mill Creek Watershed Development project was discussed. Please encourage landowners in watershed to contact Holly. Updated map will be sent out.
- XI. Member updates and announcements**
a. Muscatine SWCD fundraiser- native plant, grasses, and tree sale
b. Great River Rumble- July 27- Aug. 3
- XII. Public Input- none.**
- XIII. Next meeting:** Tuesday, May 14th @ 6:30 PM Cedar County Courthouse
- XIV. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.** Motion by Kinzer, second by Golinghorst. Motion carried.