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Meeting
CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION
Des Moines Water Works
Tuesday, April 24, 2012
6:00 p.m.

1. Chair Items - Commission Chair John McCune called the meeting of the Central Iowa Regional Drinking Water Commission to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance. Present were:

City of Altoona – Michelle Sloan (Rep), Karen Oppelt (Alt-EX-O)

City of Ankeny – Jim McKenna (Rep), Jolee Belzung (EX-O)

City of Bondurant – None

City of Carlisle – None

City of Clive – Scott Cirksena (Rep)

City of Cumming – Jean Lare (Rep)

City of Johnston – David Lindeman (Rep), Brian Wilson (EX-O)

City of Mitchellville – None

City of New Virginia – None

City of Norwalk – Tim Hoskins (EX-O)

City of Pleasant Hill – Mike Daspit (Rep)

City of Polk City – Mike Schulte (EX-O)

City of St. Charles – None

City of Waukee – None

City of Windsor Heights – Louise Moon (Rep)

Des Moines Water Works – Dave Carlson (Rep), Randy Beavers (EX-O), Linda Kinman (Staff), Pat Ripley (Staff)

Indianola Municipal Utilities – Todd Kielkopf (EX-O)

Polk County – E.J. Giovannetti (Rep)

Urbandale Water Utility – John McCune (Rep), Rich Foust (EX-O), Dale Acheson (Alt EX-O)

Warren Water District – None

West Des Moines Water Works – Jim Wallace (Alt Rep)

Xenia Rural Water District – None

Approval of Minutes – A motion was made by David Lindeman, seconded by Louise Moon, to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2012, CIRDWC meeting and the February 27, 2012, Executive Committee meeting. The motion carried by acclamation.

Financial Statements – A motion was made by Scott Cirksena, seconded by David Lindeman, to approve the financial statements. Upon vote, the motion carried.

Approval of 2012-2013 Budget – Louise Moon moved to approve the 2012-2013 Budget. The motion was seconded by Scott Cirksena. Upon vote, the motion carried. Referring to membership dues for the upcoming year, Mr. McCune explained that the intent is to reach a fund balance in the range of \$10,000-\$12,000 and then the Commission may consider doing something different.

Improving Big Creek Lake Watershed – An overview of the Big Creek Lake Watershed Project was presented by Paul Miller, District Conservationist, USDA-NRCS, and Zach DeYoung, Conservationist, IDALS-Polk County Soil and Water District. This watershed, which spans nearly 48,000 acres, is approximately 24 miles long, 4 miles wide, and is comprised of about 80% croplands. It got their attention because of beach closings in the last decade and the poor water quality of the lake. Funding has been received to begin promoting and cost sharing various conservation practices with landowners. Details were provided in regards to a goose management situation and possible solutions. Refer to this website for a more in-depth explanation of the project, reports, and newsletters: www.bigcreeklake.org.

Watershed Management Authority Update – The third meeting regarding forming a watershed authority will be held this week. Linda Kinman and Pat Boddy have been contacting soil and water districts as well as cities in the watershed to make sure they will attend. The primary focus will be to review a generic 28E which was drafted by DMWW's legal counsel.

Legislative Update – Linda Kinman reported that Senate File 430 went to the Governor yesterday to be signed into law. It will create a new state board committed to ensuring transparency in the government and enforcing Iowa's open records and open meetings laws.

Bylaws Revisions – Proposed changes to the Bylaws were reviewed: (1) In Article VII, Section 3, it has been proposed that verbiage be added which states the immediate past chair shall serve as an advisor to CIRDWC for one year following the selection of a new CIRDWC Chair. (2) In Article VIII, changes were proposed for Sections 1 and 2. Section 1 would be updated to include the immediate past chair as a nonvoting member of the Executive Committee, and minor wording changes were made to Section 2 regarding the Chair presiding at Executive Committee meetings. The Executive Committee has approved the changes which were reviewed by legal counsel. A motion to support the proposed revisions to the Bylaws was made by David Lindeman, seconded by Scott Cirksena. Upon vote, the motion carried.

Executive Committee Report – The Executive Committee met recently to establish the agenda for today's meeting. Also, they are in support of the nomination of Linda Kinman to the EPA local governmental advisory committee.

General Discussion – Since the last CIRDWC meeting, Randy Beavers has announced he will be retiring September 7. He mentioned that the Board of Water Works Trustees took action today to hire a search firm to fill his position as CEO and General Manager. The Board of Water Works Trustees has formed a CEO Search Committee and has expressed its intent to request feedback from various groups such as CIRDWC. On behalf of CIRDWC, Mr. McCune expressed appreciation to Mr. Beavers.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jim Wallace, seconded by David Lindeman at 7:00 p.m.