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Meeting
CENTRAL IOWA REGIONAL DRINKING WATER COMMISSION
Executive Committee
Des Moines Water Works Planning Conference Room
May 29, 2015
3:00 p.m.

Present: David Lindeman, Jim McKenna, Karen Novak-Swalwell, John McCune, E.J. Giovannetti, Dan Lovett, Madeline Sturms, Ted Corrigan, Diana Wilson, Amy Kahler, Karen Oppelt

Discuss CIRDWC Subcommittees

David Lindeman recapped that it was suggested at the April 28th CIRDWC meeting that two subcommittees be formed in response to the Black & Veatch feasibility study, 1) Technical Advisory 2) Financial. Amy Kahler indicated that the Metro Group, a separate group consisting primarily of Ex-Officios, had discussed the subcommittees at their May 13 meeting. The general feedback is that the Technical Advisory subcommittee was well received and the Metro Group felt it could be effective long-term regardless if regionalization proceeds or not. There was not, however, consensus related to the Financial subcommittee. Most participants to the Metro Group discussion questioned the value of an extended financial analysis effort at this point, citing the study does not indicate the economics of regionalization point to a strong economic benefit.

There was discussion among those in attendance related to valuation and debt related issues, and how the needs of all participants to regionalization could be balanced. There was discussion on whether CIRDWC members should allocate the resources now to further study valuation and debt issues. The general consensus was to allow the Technical Advisory Subcommittee to proceed with their discussions, and use the information coming out of those discussions to determine when/if further financial analysis of regionalization should be performed. A draft charter for the Technical Advisory committee was reviewed.

Discuss Resolution of Support for DMWW's Litigation Under Clean Water Act

A revised resolution was distributed. The revised resolution is broader in focus than the version previously distributed, and emphasizes CIRDWC's commitment to greater advocacy and action to improve source water quality in general. David Lindeman asked communities to get feedback from their boards and councils on the revised resolution.

Set Agenda for June 16, 2015 CIRDWC Meeting

The Executive Committee set the June 16th agenda. In light of the June meeting, the July meeting will be canceled. An August 25, 2015 meeting was tentatively scheduled. It was suggested meetings be held bi-monthly rather than quarterly.

Open

None

Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:10 p.m.