

TURKEY RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1:00 pm Thursday, September 17th, 2015

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

The regular meeting of the Turkey River Watershed Management Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 1:15 pm on September 17th, 2015 at Postville YMCA, in Postville, Iowa.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jack Knight, Allamakee SWCD	Gerry Ommen, Clayton County SWCD	Dustin Schott, City of Arlington
Bill Bennett, Fayette County SWCD	Rod Marlatt, Fayette County	Leigh Rekow, City of Postville
Kristin Klingman, City of Volga	Jon Biederman, West Union	Jon Biederman, Fayette
Ron McCartney, Clayton County	Ron Hyberger, City of Cresco	Dan Canton, City of Monona
Bart Wilson, Howard SWCD	Mark Kuhn, Winneshiek County	Bruce Lehman, City of Clermont
Jan McGovern, Howard County	Dwayne Hauber, Winneshiek SWCD	

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***APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

****MOVED BY KNIGHT, SECONDED BY SCHOTT, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
TO APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

***APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 25TH, 2015**

****MOVED BY WILSON, SECONDED BY HAUBER, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:
TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 25TH, 2015 AS PRESENTED.**

***OLD BUSINESS**

- Grant Updates – Ross Evelsizer updated the Board on a number of grants that are in progress, past applications, or coming available
 - Tile Outlet Monitoring - Results from tile monitoring were shared with the board. The results from sites in the TRW were conglomerated with other sites around the state.
 - Champion Producers Conservation Innovation Grant - RC&D is working with TRW producers to promote champion conservation producers through professional photos and media materials. Part of this outreach includes a webpage at turkeyriver.org/producers
 - RCPP – The TRW RCPP application was moved forward and invited to submit a final application. The application is \$2.75 M for flood reduction and water quality improvement practices.
 - NFWF and Leopold Center - RC&D partnered with the Iowa Soybean Association to apply for grants from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture. Each of these preproposals was accepted and RC&D was invited to submit a final application for each. RC&D and ISA would work with producers to analyze land in production for return of investment. Areas that were not productive and incurring cost to the producer would be recommended to have alternative management.
- Field Day with Iowa Corn Growers Association – The field day has been postponed to a date TBD after harvest season.

***NEW BUSINESS**

- Iowa Flood Center Update – Breanna Zimmerman updated the board on the placement of rain gauges in the TRW. Rain gauges are currently being installed and will be in place through November. Antonio Arenas then presented to the board on shallow ground water well data that is being incorporated into the IFC models.
- Otter Creek Update – Rod Marlatt updated the board on the construction progress of several projects in Otter Creek. Rod has also recruited several more landowners to participate in flood reduction projects. Fayette County will also be putting in several on-road detention structures as part of the project.
- Approve Goals of the TRW Water Quality Plan
****MOVED BY KNIGHT, SECONDED BY MCGOVERN, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: TO APPROVE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF TRW WATER RESOURCE IMPROVEMENT PLAN WITH THE ADDITION OF GOAL #16.**

***ADJOURNMENT AT 2:30 PM**

****MOVED BY KUHN, SECONDED BY LEHMAN, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:
TO ADJUORN REGULAR MEETING AT 2:30 PM**

*******The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday November 19th, 2015, at 1:00 PM at the Postville YMCA*******