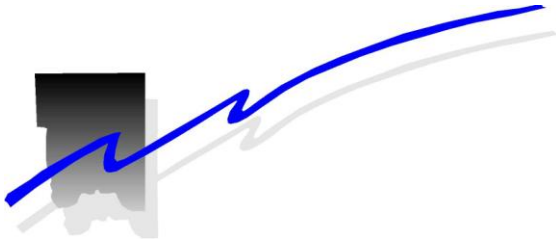


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Minutes of the Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting held February 9, 2009.

I. Meeting called to order by Chair Eckman at 10:02 a.m.

A. Roll of Attendance

Supervisors present:

Karen Eckman

Margaret Behrens

Mara Humphrey

Nick Quade

Others present:

Tom Petersen, RCD Staff

Ann Heyer, RCD Staff

Geoff Nash, RCD Staff

Marylyn Deneen, CRWD Board

B. Review of Agenda: **Resolution 09-02-01.** Supervisor Behrens moved and Supervisor Quade seconded. **Resolved the Board approves the revised agenda.**

Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Eckman, Humphrey, and Quade

Voting against: none

Abstaining: none

II. Approval of Standing Reports

A. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting January 12, 2009: **Resolution 09-02-02.** Supervisor Behrens moved and Supervisor Humphrey seconded. **Resolved the Board approves the Minutes of January 12, 2009.**

Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Eckman, Humphrey, and Quade

Voting against: none

Abstaining: none

III. Standing Committee Reports

A. Association of Metro SWCDs – Eckman/Humphrey

B. Rice Creek Advisory Committee – Quade

C. Watershed Advisory Commission (RWMWD Advisory Committee) –
Humphrey/Behrens

D. Capitol Region Watershed District Citizen Advisory Committee – Vacant

E. Legislative Committee – Quade

F. RCLLG – Behrens/Eckman

G. WMO-WD Reports – Supervisors

A. Association of Metro SWCDs – Manager Petersen gave an update of the latest association meeting and the 2009 committee assignments. Manager Petersen will be serving on the Landscape Restoration Committee.

B. Rice Creek Advisory Committee – Supervisor Quade recapped the last meetings he attended for Rice Creek and said the meetings were well attended. He notified the Board that Rice Creek will be holding a workshop on shallow lakes on February 14th.

C. Watershed Advisory Commission – Supervisor Humphrey gave an update of the recent meeting she attended. At the meeting they gave an update of all of their programs.

E. Legislative Committee – Supervisor Quade attended a number of recent legislature committee meetings, including one where the Board of Water & Soil Resources (BWSR), was discussed.

F. RCLLG – Supervisor Behrens wasn't able to attend the last RCLLG meeting, but she did attend Maplewood City Council meeting and the Maplewood Citizen's Forum, where there was a discussion on groundwater.

G. WMO-WD – Supervisor Eckman attended the Grass Lake Board Meeting and noted that the TMDL report on Owasso Lake will be complete in April.

IV. Natural Resource Conservation Service Report: No Report.

V. Staff Reports: The Board was mailed a report detailing the major activities of the staff, prior to the meeting. Supervisor Eckman suggested that the staff create a flyer with a map of the county broken up by Watershed District and a list of all the cost-share programs available for Ramsey County residents for the upcoming expos that the RCD will be exhibiting at.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Interview Selection Criteria for Supervisor Candidates: The Board discussed criteria that they would use in selecting which candidates for appointment will be interviewed.

Required Criteria:

- Live in the 4th RCD Supervisor Nomination district
- Be an eligible voter
- Have a passion for conservation

The following criteria was encouraged but not required: Email user, leadership experience, evidence of conservation interest, positive interest, teamwork, respect, creativity, innovative, grant research experience, good communicator, networker, watershed experience, technical experience in a related field, and having a passion for conservation.

B. Review of Draft Groundwater Plan: Mr. Nash reported that he had not received many comments on the preliminary draft, but that the comments he received were very helpful and constructive. He went through the approval process timeline and reminded that Board that he will be giving a groundwater presentation at the RCLLG meeting on February 26th and at the Council of Women Voters on March 21st.

C. Review of RCD Board Meeting Dates: The Board decided by consensus to Monday, April 13th for the April Board Meeting. The time of the meeting will be determined at the March 9th meeting.

D. Overview of Financials: Ms. Heyer handed out a financial packet, including a draft of the 4th quarter Treasurer's Report, a revenue projection spreadsheet, a summary of expenses over the last three years, and a summary of the revenue for the last three years. The Board reviewed the items and asked questions to better understand the financial position of the RCD. Supervisor Eckman also wanted see how the watershed organizations fee-for-service contract distributions have been over the last few years.

VII. New Business

A. Native Buffer Cost-Share Policy Review: Manager Petersen explained that the RCD received \$150,000 in the FY09 Native Buffer Grant from BWSR. He explained some of the projects that the RCD hoped to accomplish with the funds. He explained that the RCD would hold a workshop in April for the Long Lake residents and a lakeshore restoration workshop in March for all lakeshore residents in Ramsey County.

B. FY-09 BWSR Native Buffer Grant Agreement: **Resolution 09-02-03.** Supervisor Behrens moved and Supervisor Quade seconded. **Resolved the Board approves the Chair signing the FY09 BWSR Native Buffer Grant Agreement.**
Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Eckman, Humphrey, and Quade
Voting against: none
Abstaining: none

C. 2009 Dues Payments: **Resolution 09-02-04.** Supervisor Behrens moved and Supervisor Quade seconded. **Resolved the Board approves payment of \$100 for the 2009 RCLLG dues and \$2,750 for 2009 MASWCD dues.**
Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Eckman, Humphrey, and Quade
Voting against: none
Abstaining: none

D. Wild Ones, Living Green, and Phalen Waterfest: Manager Petersen discussed the upcoming events and encouraged the Board members to attend all of them, assisting staff with displays.

E. Approval of 2009 CRWS/RCD Professional Services Agreement: **Resolution 09-02-05.** Supervisor Humphrey moved and Supervisor Quade seconded. **Resolved the Board approves entering into the Professional Services Agreement with CRWD.**
Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Eckman, Humphrey, and Quade
Voting against: none
Abstaining: none

F. BWSR Cost-Share Close-Out FY04/05/06: **Resolution 09-02-06.** Supervisor Quade moved and Supervisor Behrens seconded. Resolved the Board authorizes the Treasurer to sign the BWSR Cost-Share Close-Out documents for FY04/05/06.
Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Eckman, Humphrey, and Quade
Voting against: none
Abstaining: none

G. Legislative Day at the Capitol: **Resolution 09-02-07**. Supervisor Humphrey moved and Supervisor Quade seconded. Resolved the Board authorizes Manager Petersen and Supervisor Behrens to attend the Legislative Day at the Capitol on February 24, 2009.

Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Eckman, Humphrey, and Quade

Voting against: none

Abstaining: none

VIII. Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, February 17, 2009 for a Special Meeting to select candidates to interview for appointment to supervisor nomination district number 4.

IX. Adjournment: Supervisor Eckman moved for adjournment at 12:37pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by
Ann Heyer
Office Manager