

Meeting Minutes
North Raccoon River Watershed Management Coalition Annual Meeting
Friday, January 15, 2021 at 10:00 am

The quarterly meeting of the NRRWMC was called to order at 10:00 am by chair Keri Navratil, city of Storm Lake. Roll call was completed with 13 members present via teleconference and proxy votes which does not represent a quorum. (The acronym NRR in these minutes stands for the North Raccoon River watershed.)

Election of Officers – Keri Navratil, Chair

On hold due to lack of quorum

Guest Speaker – Bartlett Durand, Director Water Quality Partnerships at Sand County Foundation

- Group set a goal for N and P load reductions and farmers worked together to meet them

Financial & Project Updates – Cara Elbert, NWIPDC and Kevin Griggs, WHKS-EOR Design Team

CARA:

- Q4 Spending = \$49,344 spent for U of I modeling and hydrology, design costs for WHKS, administrative costs
- Cumulative \$1,188,964 (slightly less than 50%)
- \$1,222,965 (?) left to spend

PAUL:

- Project cost updates – appraisal report \$133,750 for a total of \$839,700 plus appraisal costs, plus engineering costs and U of I costs to come

KEVIN:

- Design is complete on 4 projects, will schedule for a bid in the next 30 days
- CRP contract on one of the sites to work through and landowner agreements
- 4 projects will be offered on one contract
- Aiming for projects to be done between August 1 and September 1

Sub-committee Updates – Keri Navratil, Chair

- Overview of notes provided from the sub-committee meeting on Wednesday, January 13. (See Oct. 2020 minutes for listing and details of watershed coordinator funding sub-committee.)
- Process suggestion (John Norwood) – reach out county by county in the coalition to identify potential projects and priorities
- IDNR has staff to support sourcewater protection plans for well heads in an 8 to 10 county area around Sac county
- Discussion led to form an Outreach Sub-committee with volunteers John Norwood (Polk SWCD) and Sean McMahon (IAWA)

Public Comment

- Future meetings should have updates from board members on projects in their jurisdictions.
- Next meeting in January will be critical to re-engage members and confirm membership.
- Election of officers for 2021-2022 will happen at our next meeting.
- Suggesting a hybrid format of online and in-person, with the in-person location being held in a more central or northern end of the watershed, on January 8th or 15th.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 am.

Next meeting will be Friday, April 9, 2021 at 10 am.

Members present:

Name	Location	Entity
Susan Judkins	Clive	City
Jonathan Gano	Des Moines	City
Keri Navratil	Storm Lake	City
Paul Merten	Buena Vista	County
Carl Legore	Calhoun	County
Dean Schettler	Carroll	County
Mark Hanson	Dallas	County
Don Etler	Palo Alto	County
Clarence Siepker	Pocahontas	County
Bob Rice	Polk	County
Jim Wissler	Sac	County
Stephen Reinart	Carroll	SWCD
Fred Long	Greene	SWCD
Tim Palmer	Madison	SWCD
Katie Rock	Polk	SWCD
Doug Ollendike	Clive	City
David Sadler	West D M	City
Keith Wirtz	Palo Alto	County
Jim Gillespie	Madison	SWCD
John Norwood	Polk	SWCD