

Meeting Agenda
Bois de Sioux and Mustinka Watersheds
1W1P Policy Committee Meeting
4/23/18 at 1 pm

Member Organizations

Big Stone County
 Big Stone SWCD
 Grant County
 Grant SWCD
 Otter Tail County
 West Otter Tail SWCD
 Stevens County
 Stevens SWCD
 Traverse County
 Traverse SWCD
 Wilkin County
 Wilkin SWCD
 Bois de Sioux Watershed

Committee Representative

Commissioner Jay Backer
 Supervisor Dan Morrill
 Commissioner Doyle Sperr
 Supervisor Randy Larson
 Commissioner John Lindquist
 Supervisor John Walkup
 Commissioner Ron Staples
 Supervisor Greg Fynboh
 Commissioner Kevin Leininger
 Supervisor David Rinke* **[Absent]**
 Commissioner Eric Klindt **[Absent]**
 Supervisor Kyle Gowin **[Absent]**
 Manager Linda Vavra

Designated Alternate

Commissioner Bill LaValley
 Supervisor Odell Christenson
 Commissioner Lee Rogness
 Supervisor Richard Viger **[Absent]**
 Commissioner Jeanne Ennen **[Absent]**

 Supervisor Carol Johnson

Also Present:

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| BWSR | Staff Pete Waller |
| Grant SWCD | Staff Joe Montoneye |
| West Otter Tail SWCD | Staff Brad Mergens |
| West Otter Tail SWCD | Staff Ben Underhill |
| Stevens County | Staff Bill Kleindl |
| Traverse SWCD | Staff Sara Gronfeld |
| Wilkin SWCD | Staff Craig Lingen |
| Wilkin County | Staff Breanna Koval |
| Bois de Sioux Watershed | Staff Jamie Beyer |

*Receives notices only by mail.

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 am by Linda Vavra.

Committee members completed Waller’s Fun Facts. Waller presented Minnesota Statute 103B.801 Comprehensive Watershed Management Planning Program, and a “Guidance for Committees and Getting Ready to Plan” fact sheet.

Policy Committee Members: Policy Committee members are elected officials, designated by their organizations – with the exception of the Bois de Sioux Watershed Policy Committee member, who is appointed. This Policy Committee is only responsible to develop the Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan, and is not responsible for the implementation of or grant funding for future projects. Lindquist requested that alternates be included, as much as possible. **Please send to Jamie the name and email address for your alternate, if he/she is not listed above.**

Advisory Committee Members: To be determined by the Policy Committee. LaValley requested that someone from the RRWMB be included. Waller stated that a representative from BWSR, Dept. of Ag, MPCA, MDH and DNR must be on the Advisory Committee

POLICY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Grants: Waller stated that future grants awarded for projects in the Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan will be funds above and beyond SWCD's current grant allocations. Committee members expressed concern about the amount of time staff spend organizing meetings. Waller stated that office administration time can be paid from the current grant, at a billable hourly rate, after the grant agreement is executed.

Bylaws: Kleindl led the discussion, pointing out requested changes. See amended bylaws. Vavra stated that the Bois de Sioux's Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan has several unique features – and, with only a 1/13th vote, it will be impossible to ensure that those features are brought forward into the new 1W1Plan Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan. Committee members asked that a list of the Watershed's unique items be brought to the next meeting.

For the Steering Committee: Policy Committee members requested that the bylaw changes be shared with the Steering Committee, for informational purposes; the Policy Committee will continue to work on them in future meetings. Policy Committee would like the Steering Committee to look at and approve the Consultant RFQ, and send it to the Policy Committee for approval. LaValley requested that (related to IX (4) of the Bylaws) that the RFQ payment schedule be customized so that the final product must be delivered prior to final payment.

Standing Schedule: The Policy Committee will meet the first Thursday of every month, at 1 pm.

NEXT MEETING: JUNE 7TH AT 1 PM AT BOIS DE SIOUX WATERSHED.

A NOTICE WILL BE SENT BY EMAIL AND BY MAIL.