

Indian Creek Watershed Management Authority
Board of Directors
1:30 pm, October 13, 2021
Virtual Zoom Meeting due to COVID-19 guidance to practice social distancing

Board Members Attending Zoom Meeting: Cedar Rapids – Cara Matteson; Linn SWCD – Bruce Frana; Marion – Steve Cooper; Hiawatha – Jon Fitch

Others Present: Rick Sandstrom – resident; Dan Able – resident; Steve Erikson – resident; Martin Smith – resident; Mike Kuntz and Mary Beth Stevenson – City of Cedar Rapids; Patrick Parsley – Hiawatha; Jennifer Fencil – ECICOG

Call to Order at 1:35 pm and introductions

Approval of April 14, 2021 minutes: Motion by Frana, second by Fitch to approve the minutes. Carried.

FY21 Budget Update: Fencil reviewed the final FY21 budget tracking table documenting revenue and expenditures for the year. Fencil also presented an extended budget table to show how the rest of the Soil Health Partnership grant and the USGS gage will impact the budget over the next 4 years.

FY22 Budget Proposal: Fencil presented the FY22 workplan and budget which is the same as FY21 but adding support for the Lower Cedar WMA (\$1,500) and the USGS gage (\$14,440). Motion by Frana, second by Kuntz to approve the FY22 Budget and Workplan. Carried.

Authorize payment for NRCS/WFPO tour lunch. This item was tabled until the next meeting.

Soil Health Partnership Project: Fencil handed out the update provided by Davis who is presenting at the Iowa Watershed Academy, a two-day training for watershed coordinators. In June, a Nutrient Reduction field day at Curt Zingula's saturated buffer was held with 50 participants. In September, Davis had a table promoting cover crops at two events and hosted a cover crop field day. The project is on track to meet or exceed all of the goals / deliverables.

Watershed Flood Prevention Operations Tour: Stevenson reported that the tour visiting Springville, the Creekview Cove Neighborhood, the Sun Valley Neighborhood, and the Indian Creek Nature Center was a success. The next step is to wait for the decision to complete a full assessment.

Source Water Protection RCPP: Stevenson reported that an agronomist has been hired to be housed at the Linn County Coop.

Lower Cedar Watershed Plan: Fencil reported that a workshop was held for Emergency Management staff in the watershed to connect them to the watershed plan.

Creekside Pride Water Trails / Greenways Master Plan: The Corridor MPO hired ISG/HR Green/Impact 7G complete the Recreation Access Concept Plan in Marion.

Partner Updates:

- Lower Cedar WMA Board of Directors meeting 6:30 pm on Nov 9, 2021

Announcements: none

Public Comments: none

Next meeting: The next ICWMA Board meeting 1:30 pm, January 12, 2021 location TBD

Adjourn: Meeting adjourn at 2:47 pm