

Indian Creek Watershed Management Authority
Board of Directors
10:00 am January 12, 2018
Linn County Public Service Center
935 2nd Street SW, Cedar Rapids

Board Members Present: Linn County – Stephanie Lientz; Cedar Rapids – Sandy Pumphrey; Hiawatha – John Bender; Steve Cooper – Marion; Linn SWCD – Bruce Frana

Others Present: Carole Teator – Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation; Cara Matteson – Cedar Rapids; Tom Gruis & Jennifer Fencel – ECICOG

Call to Order at 10:05 am

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Frana, second by Bender to approve the minutes from October 25, 2017. Motion carried.

Iowa Partners for Conservation proposal approval: Fencel discussed the proposal and possible partners for letter of support. Motion by Frana, second by Cooper to approve the application and a letter of support from the ICWMA. Motion carried.

Presentations at future meetings: Fencel described some possible presenters for upcoming meetings. For example, the US Army Corps of Engineers – Rock Island or UNI’s Good Neighbor Program.

Lower Cedar WMA: Fencel provided an update and announced the next Board meeting on February 13th at 6:30 pm at the Cedar County Courthouse.

WMAs of Iowa: Fencel provided an update on their formation and announced the Annual Statewide WMA meeting on February 21st North of Toledo at the Otter Creek Lake & Park.

Women for Water: Fencel briefly described this new organization and their work to date.

WMA Name Change Bill HF2008: Fencel described the proposed legislation and what it would mean if passed.

Strategic Plan Development: Fencel reviewed draft print outreach materials. The annual report is still in the works.

Announcements:

- Corridor Conservation Coalition rebirth meeting January 30th at Prairiewoods.
- Iowa Soybean Association Farmer Research Conference Feb 6 & 7 in Des Moines.
- IWILL lobby day at the capitol February 12th.
- Cedar River Coalition meeting March 9th at Wickiup Hill.
- REAP lobby day at the capitol March 22nd.
- Marion is working with ISWEP to host workshops and/or training programs in the area.
- Cedar Rapids is working with AmeriCorps from UNI on a rain garden give-a-way for residents.
- Hiawatha has a new online citizen service input tool.
- Linn County may work out a new project list for the Iowa Initiative for Sustainable Communities through the University of Iowa.

Public Comments: none

Next meeting: The next ICWMA Board meeting April 11, 2018, location TBD.

Adjourn: Motion by Cooper, second by Bender to adjourn at 11:42 am. Motion carried.