

Indian Creek Watershed Management Authority
Board of Directors
1:30 pm, July 12, 2017
Linn County Public Service Center
935 2nd Street SW, Cedar Rapids

Board Members Present: Linn County – Les Beck; Cedar Rapids – Sandy Pumphrey; Linn SWCD – Bruce Frana; Steve Cooper – Marion; Vince Bading – Robins; John Bender – Hiawatha

Others Present: John DeGroot (UNI GeoTREE Center); Natalie Fraehlich (ECICOG); Jennifer Fencel (ECICOG)

Call to Order at 1:37 pm

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Beck, second by Frana to approve the minutes from April 12 2016. Motion carried.

Board Member Terms: Fencel will send reminder to Board Members to prompt reappointments.

Update Items:

- GeoTREE Center Project – John DeGroot presented their project to digitize and model the urban land use near and south of the Lindale Mall in Cedar Rapids. The model simulates runoff volume & pollutant loads. BMPs can be added to the model to evaluate its effectiveness.
- Lower Cedar WMA formation – Fencel is scheduling time on agendas to invite participation in the Lower Cedar WMA.
- Presentations to policy makers – Fencel scheduling overlapping presentations to update on progress in the Indian Creek watershed.
- WMAs of Iowa – Discuss joining this statewide group for WMAs to provide networking, education, and advocacy. Motion by Beck, second by Bading to join WMAs of Iowa and appoint Fencel to the Board as ICWMA's representative. Motion carried. Fencel agreed to always invite the ICWMA Board Members to attend meetings.

Strategic Plan Development:

- Develop printed materials and marketing display – Fencel proposed using some of the \$23,470 remaining out of the annual member contribution. Motion by Frana, second by Cooper to authorize a budget of \$300 for marketing materials. Motion carried.
- Outreach Events – Fencel distributed the list of outreach events within the watershed developed by the summer intern.
- BMP Maps – Fencel distributed the rural and urban maps of BMPs developed by the summer intern with locations identified to date. More work is needed.
- Repetitive Loss due to Flooding – no progress to date.
- Assigning Costs to Selected Strategies – discussed the possibility of a work session to accomplish.
- Watershed Coordinator Position – no progress to date.
- Annual Report – Fencel to provide draft with prompts for updated outreach, policy, and BMPs.

Announcements:

- ISWEP Native Plantings Workshop July 18.
- Growing Sustainable Communities conference October 3-4 in Dubuque
- Upper Midwest Iowa APA October 4-6 in Dubuque
- Our Woodland Legacy Symposium December 7th in Cedar Rapids

Next meeting: ICWMA Board meeting is 1:30 pm, Oct 11, 2017 at the Linn County Public Service Center.

Adjourn: Motion by Beck, second by Bender to adjourn at 3:15 pm. Motion carried.