
MINUTES
4th Quarter Meeting
November 21, 2024

The meeting of the Two Rivers Plus Joint Powers Board was held at the Kittson County Courthouse.

The meeting was called to order by JPB Chair, Landon Olson at 9:00 a.m.

Joint Powers Board Members present: Daryl Wicklund (Roseau County), Theresia Gillie (Kittson County), Landon Olson (Roseau SWCD), Andrew Muir (Kittson SWCD)

Others present: Jeremy Benson (Kittson SWCD), Janine Lovold (Roseau SWCD), Sky Dahl (Kittson SWCD), Jamie Osowski (Kittson SWCD), Shonda Jelle (Roseau SWCD), Aimee Sugden (Kittson County)

Agenda

The agenda was presented. No changes to the agenda were proposed. Motion was made by Gillie and seconded by Wicklund and carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

Minutes

Minutes from the August 15th, 2024 meeting were reviewed.

Motion by Muir and second by Gillie was made to approve the minutes for the February meeting and carried unanimously to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Janine presented the Treasurer's/ eLINK Report. She updated the board and attendants on where we sit and there were no questions. Motion to approve the treasurer's report made by Gillie seconded by Muir and carried unanimously.

Authorize staff to choose contracts from FY24 to pay the remaining balance of FY22 as needed
Jeremy informed meeting attendees of where the finances sit pertaining to the non-structural land management contracts. The money set aside for NSLM in FY22 has not been fully spent. The money set aside in FY24 for NSLM has already had several contracts assigned to it. To avoid having to send the money from FY22 back, Jeremy proposed we move contracts from FY24 to FY22 to finish spending the NSLM money in FY22 before FY24 is spent. The staff need board approval to choose and adjust contracts to fulfill the proposed goal. Motion was made by Wicklund and seconded by Muir to approve the staff choosing and moving contracts from FY24 to FY22.

CRP State Incentive Program-Ranking

Janine and Jeremy presented to the group a refresher on the CRP incentive program that we are offering. The current offer is an additional \$10/acre up to \$5,000 per landowner for CRP sign ups with a CP23, 23A, or 18. A list of CRP sign ups that fit the requirements was presented to the attendees and they were ranked based on incentive criteria. A motion to approve the staff sending out contracts to the eligible landowners was made by Gillie and seconded by Muir and carried out unanimously.

Program Updates FY22 & FY24

Jeremy gave a brief update on the various projects that have been conducted throughout the FY22 and FY24 grant periods. Thus far there have been 72 non-structural land management contracts resulting in 5300 acres of No till and cover crops being implanted in the planning zone. Almost 4,000 linear feet of streambank stabilization projects have been completed. Ten side water inlets and 9 drop structures have been contracted. Seven forest stewardship plans have been written.

Year End Review

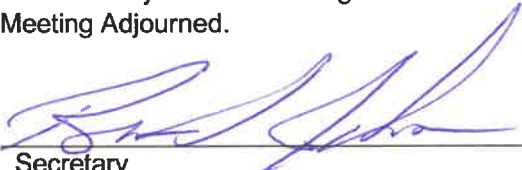
Jeremy gave a year end review expressing what he felt is working well and what he felt could use improvement. The meeting attendees were encouraged to join in on conversation about what they had felt had been working well and what hadn't. Productive conversation was had amongst meeting attendees encouraging ideas for the upcoming year. Conversation was had on ideas for getting contractors efficiently for the construction projects. The JPB board and staff are looking into holding a contractor meeting in the late winter to discuss these issues. There will be a joint LWG & TAC/CAC meeting held again in the spring; the date is undecided as of now. There we're a few changes after county elections and Leon Olson the primary representative for Kittson County will no longer be serving another term. A primary representative will be set for Kittson County at a future local board meeting.

Next Meeting Scheduled

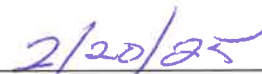
February 20th, 2025, at 9:00 AM at the Kittson County Courthouse. This meeting will be the annual business meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45am made by Olson, seconded by Muir, and carried unanimously. Meeting Adjourned.



Secretary



Date