

GBERBA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Friday, April 8, 2011 ~ Blue Earth County Ag Service Center ~ Mankato, MN

Present: Richard Androli, Clark Lingbeek, Glen Mathiason, Neal Mensing and Jurgen Peters.

Others Present: Ronald Bay, Kay Clark - GBERBA, Lee Ganske – MPCA; Brooke Hacker – CMM, Darlene Kukuczka – GBERBA and Harold Loeffler.

Chair Clark Lingbeek called the meeting to order at 1:09 PM.

Meeting Agenda: Motion by Richard Androli, second by Glen Mathiason to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried, all yes.

Meeting Minutes: Motion by Jurgen Peters, second by Glen Mathiason to approve the February 11, 2011 minutes. Motion carried, all yes.

Financial Report Review: Motion by Richard Androli, second by Jurgen Peters to approve the GBERBA Financial Report dated 3-1-11 to 3-31-11. Motion carried, all yes.

Accounts Payable: Motion by Glen Mathiason, second by Richard Androli to approve the Accounts Payable for GBERBA totaling \$30,673.93 but hold the BARR Engineering payment of \$22,610.00 until the Technical Committee approves the Cobb River Ditch Report. Motion carried, all yes.

Cost-Share Funding:

Cost-Share Encumbrance:

Dennis Larson	46-02	Terrace	Encumbered C-S	\$3,787.89
City of Mankato	07-02	Urban – Critical Area	Encumbered C-S	\$2,531.00
Mark Byron	81-02	Streambank	Encumbered C-S	\$10,834.69

Motion by Richard Androli, second by Neal Mensing to approve the Cost-Share Contract encumbrances for Larson, City of Mankato and Byron. Motion carried, all yes.

Audit – Darlene Kukuczka

Clarification of audit requirements for GBERBA are as follows; meet the threshold of \$500,000 or every three years.

Motion by Jurgen Peters, second by Glen Mathiason to approve authorizing the GBERBA audit for 2012 when meeting our threshold of \$500,000. Motion carried, all yes.

Technical Meeting Update – Kay Clark

Work Plans have been completed and website updating is taking place. Working on Shoreland Buffer Initiative getting ready of a BWSR mid contract review.

INFORMATION/ACTION:

BUFFALO LAKE ENERGY: Reviewed information from Buffalo Lake Energy presentation at the March GBERBA Policy Meeting.

CLEAN WATER FUND – WORK PLANS: Work Plans are completed for the Shoreland Buffer Initiative and the Position Grants. BWSR will schedule mid contract reviews for any grant totaling approximately \$200,000+.

CONSERVATION AWARDS: Will look into the 2003 GBERBA Agreement for founding members.

Staff Report:

Brooke Hacker - CMM

CMM met with General Mills and gave a presentation focusing on sustainability or the organization.

Agency Reports:
Lee Ganske – MPCA

Fact Sheet – Developing Surface Water Nitrate Standards and Strategies for Reducing Nitrogen Loading; should be finalized in 2012.

Adjourn: Meeting was declared adjourned at 2:35 pm by Clark Lingbeek.

Next Meeting:	Technical Meeting	April 27, 2011 at 9:30 a.m.
	Policy Meeting	May 13, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.
	Executive Meeting	June 10, 2011 at 1:00 p.m.

Secretary Signature: _____ Date: _____