



Minutes

Central Minnesota River Watershed Partnership Joint Powers Board Meeting

August 6, 2025

Kandiyohi County Health and Human Services Building

Joint Powers Board Members Present:

Commissioner Kurt Stranberg (Chippewa County)
Commissioner David Hamre (Renville County), Chair
Supervisor Jerry Schwitters (Chippewa County Soil and Water Conservation District), Secretary
Supervisor Brandon Smith (Kandiyohi County Soil and Water Conservation District), Vice Chair
Supervisor Phil Smith (Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District)

Staff Members Present:

JoAnn Blomme (Chippewa County)
Eric Van Dyken (Kandiyohi County)
Kelly O'Neill (Renville County)
Zach Bothun (Chippewa County Soil and Water Conservation District)
Kyle Richter (Renville County Soil and Water Conservation District)
Heidi Rauenhurst (Hawk Creek Watershed Project)
Luke Olson (Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources)
Mark Hiles (Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources)
Ed Lenz (Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources)

1. Welcome and Introductions

Commissioner Hamre called the meeting to order at 1:34 PM and began introductions.

2. Additions/Approval of Agenda

A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Stranberg and seconded by Supervisor P. Smith.

Motion Carried (Yes-5, No-0)

3. Approval of May 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the May 14, 2025 meeting minutes was made by Supervisor Schwitters and seconded by Supervisor B. Smith.

Motion Carried (Yes-5, No-0)

4. FY26-27 Watershed Based Implementation Funding Grant Workplan and Budget

- Cost Share Policy Revision for Non-Structural Projects

A motion to accept the revisions to the cost share policy as presented and utilize the Soil and Water Conservation District cost share policies was made by Supervisor Schwitters and seconded by Supervisor B. Smith.

Motion Carried (Yes-5, No-0)

5. Watershed Based Implementation Funding Grant Reconciliations

- FY24-25 Grant Reconciliation
- Second FY22-23 Grant Reconciliation

Rauenhorst updated the board with the progress of the FY24-25 grant reconciliation and the second FY22-23 grant reconciliation.

6. 2024 Audit Report

A motion to approve the 2024 final audit report as presented was made by Supervisor B. Smith and seconded by Supervisor P. Smith.

Motion Carried (Yes-5, No-0)

7. HCWP Contract for Services Renewal

A motion to table #7 of the agenda until the next CMRWP board meeting scheduled for November 5, 2025 was made by Supervisor B. Smith and seconded by Supervisor Schwitters.

Hamre – aye
Schwitters – aye
B. Smith – aye

P. Smith - aye
Stranberg - aye

Motion Carried (Yes-5, No-0)

8. Budget Update

Rauenhorst presented the budget and financial reports as of June 30, 2025.

A motion to approve the budget and financial reports as presented was made by Supervisor B. Smith and seconded by Supervisor P. Smith.

Motion Carried (Yes-5, No-0)

9. Other Business and Next Meeting

The next meeting was set for November 5, 2025 at 1:30 PM at the Kandiyohi County Health and Human Services Building.

10. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Supervisor Schwitters and seconded by Supervisor B. Smith.

Motion Carried (Yes-5, No-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM.