



## CAC Meeting Minutes

Thursday January 26, 2023  
6:30-8:00 PM

### Attendees:

CAC Members: 6 of 7 members present = X% (≥50%)  
 Christopher Crowhurst (Chair)       Woody Spitzmueller  
 Matt Newman                                       Loren Hanson (Vice Chair)  
 Maureen Reeder                                       Curtis Witt  
 Ron Hoffmeyer

Staff: Elizabeth Frödén, Emily Dick  
Board members: Christian Morkeberg

### Subcommittee Meetings 6:00 to 6:30

#### Subcommittee Report Backs 6:30

- Water Storage and Flooding
  - Maureen reported
  - Completed year end report, which includes different goals set in the last year such as advocating for a flood study, pushing for particular flood projects, research ag and forest preservation incentives, research regulations for comparative watershed districts, prioritizing funding opportunities.
- Lake Life and Water Quality
  - Matt reported
  - Options for phosphorus removal: ~\$480/lb of phosphorus removal for alum. Aquatic harvesting removal ~\$550/lb of phosphorus removal for the first cutting, ~\$275/lb of phosphorus for the second cutting. Efficiency gets better with more cuttings because grows back more densely.
  - Cattail harvesting is an easy way to keep phosphorus out of the lake. Potential for setting a lottery for farmers to get the cut cattail on their land.
- Shoreline Restoration
  - Loren reported
  - Focused on education element. Ideas included simplifying DNR language to a one-pager and providing plant recommendations.

#### CAC Business 6:45

- Motion to add to agenda- to discuss subcommittee structure, and staffing
- Approval of the agenda: motion Matt / second Woody / passed
- Approval of December CAC meeting minutes: motion Matt / second Woody / passed
- Review of Board Meetings (December & January)
  - Flood Storage projects were prioritized. Based on feedback from CAC and Staff Project 6 and 1 were the first selected. Will start with landowner outreach.
  - We are pursuing work to request bids to line the pipe of the outlet structure so the pipe can get closer to the full capacity of the pipe.
  - Working with Paul Nelson to arrange equivalency with the Cities for permitting regulations, we can have a streamlined process.
  - Focus on relationships and partnerships with agencies and townships and SWCD. Woody mentioned- Shannon Lothammer- old District Administrator, is now

Executive Director at DNR

Maureen mentioned- Board could have legislative efforts to increase funding to staffing at DNR

- Vote on CAC Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary for 2023
  - Christopher as CAC Chair, Loren as Vice Chair, Ron as Secretary: motion Matt / second Woody / passed
- Discuss amendments to CAC bylaws
  - Added a minimum of 3 members to form a subcommittee
  - Term limits- two 3-year terms and then take a year off
  - Small wording updates
  - Adds language on criteria for selection of members
  - Adds language to add conduct language and conflict of interest
  - Adds language with attendance guidelines
  - Motion to approve: Ron / second Woody / passed
- Staff Project Updates
  - Waiting for DNR comments on Buck Wetland and Sutton Lake Management Plan
  - WBIF workplans were approved for Fish Lake Management Plan and Swamp IESF
  - Carp are starting to aggregate, but not quite in place to seine yet
  - Flood storage projects 1 and 6, outreach is beginning.
- Actions to discuss next meeting:
  - Legislative action discussion
  - Subcommittee structure
  - Staffing

Motion to adjourn at 8:00pm – motion Matt / second Loren / approved