



**MEETING LOCATION:**  
**WEST RIVER ELECTRIC**  
3250 SD HWY 44.  
Rapid City, SD 57703  
Phone: (605) 394-2685

**AGENDA**  
**Wednesday, September 17, 2014**  
**2:00 P.M.**

The Chairman requires meetings be conducted in a civil manner. There shall be no references to personalities, no personal attacks, no interruptions. A member of the public may speak after recognition from the chair. Please silence cell phones. Consequences for failure to comply with these and other rules of decorum will result in removal from the meeting.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

- July 23, 2014

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

- Payment of Bills and Transfer of Funds

**NORTH WATER CONSULTING-DAVE HOLLAND**

**PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION ON EPA 319 PROGRAM AND TMDLS**

SD Department of Environment and Natural Resources- Barry McLaury. Pete Jahraus, Robert Smith, Rich Hanson

**IN AN EFFORT TO ALLOW TIME FOR THE 319/TMDL PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC QUESTIONS THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2015 BUDGET WILL BE HELD IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE INFORMATIONAL BUT NOT PRIOR TO 3PM**

**2015 BUDGET HEARING-IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL**

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Update on Canyon Lake – Tim Rogers
- Trinity Eco Prayer Park project funding request ~Ken Steiken/Tim Rogers
- USGS Gaging stations continued support- Joyce Williamson/Mark Anderson
- Didymosphenia geminate funding request – Dr. Lisa Kunza

**NEW BUSINESS**

**REPORTS**

- Manager's report

**ITEMS FROM DIRECTORS**

**ITEMS FROM PUBLIC**

**ADJOURNMENT**



\*This meeting was recorded and can be found on Youtube at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j5aTkzfdLug>

## **DRAFT MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2014 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The West Dakota Water Development District convened for their regular board meeting at West River Electric, 3250 SD Hwy. 44 Rapid City, SD. Chairman Rogers called the meeting to order at 2:02pm. Roll Call was taken, directors present were : Foster Sawyer (District 1) Dan Richer (District 2) , Lavern Koch (District 4) Robert Akers (District 5), Tim Rogers (District 6), Chuck Jasper (District 7) arrived 2:12pm, Sandra Beshara (District 8), Steve Hasenohrl, (District 9). Directors absent: Orland Paulsen (District 3) A quorum was declared present. Staff Present: Denise Livingston, manager. Others present: over 26 members of the public were present.

**APPROVE AGENDA:** Motion by Hasenohrl, seconded by Richer to approve the agenda with changing the Budget Hearing to the original published time 2:10pm. Vote: Passed unanimously.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:** MOTION BY HASENOHRL SECONDED BY SAWYER TO APPROVE THE JULY 23, 2014 meeting minutes. Vote: Passed unanimously.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

**Payment of Bills and Transfer of Funds:** Director Hasenohrl moved to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$22,023.75 and the transfer of funds necessary for payment. Motion passed with Director Richer opposed.

Discussion was held on the 2015 meeting schedule and changing the schedule to include a budget meeting in August.

At 2:10 pm Chairman Rogers began the public hearing on the 2015 budget. The floor was opened to the public. No public comment. Motion by Hasenohrl, seconded by Beshara to approve 2015 budget. Motion passed with Director Jasper abstaining.

Director Jasper entered the meeting at 2:12 pm.

Chairman Rogers began the public informational presentation on EPA 319 program, TMDLs and West Dakota's proposed project on Rapid Creek Clean Water Initiative. Dave Holland, Northwater Consulting, discussed the Rapid Creek project. Department of Environment and Natural Resources, DENR, staff Pete Jahraus, Robert Smith and Barry McLaury explained the 319 program and TMDLs.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Canyon Lake Restoration (District 6)**- Chairman Rogers gave an update on funding for the sediment removal of Canyon Lake. No action was taken.

**Trinity Eco Prayer Park(District 8):** Motion by Koch seconded by Hasenohrl to approve the Chairman's signature on the MOU authorizing \$25,000 in financial assistance for the Trinity Eco Prayer Park. Director Jasper voiced concern over that the MOU did not reflect that the park remain in existence for a certain period of time. Director Koch accepted a friendly amendment to the motion to include a statement that the park would exist for a minimum of 5 years. Seconded by Sawyer. Motion passed with Directors Beshara and Richer voting against and Rogers abstaining.

**USGS Gaging Stations:** Motion by Beshara seconded by Jasper to approve the 2015 funding of the operation of 2 streamflow gages - Castle Creek above Deerfield and Rhoads Fork, in the amount of \$15,950.



**Didymosphenia geminate funding request:** Dr. Kunza gave a brief presentation on the effects of Didymo on Benthic macro-invertebrates research in Rapid Creek and requested funding for the research for 2015. Motion by Jasper seconded by Hasenorhl to approve funding the research for 2015 in the amount of \$29,311. Motion passed with Richer voting against and Sawyer abstaining.

**NEW BUSINESS:** NO NEW BUSINESS.

**REPORTS:** Manager's report-Denise Livingston

#### **ITEMS FROM DIRECTORS**

Director Richer voiced his opinion on the Chairman's agenda statement stating that rules of decorum will be required of all meeting attendees. Richer commented that the public has a right to say and act however they wish. Chairman Rogers statement is to require a level of civility in the meetings. The statement can be an agenda item at the next meeting to further discuss and take action on it at that time.

Director Beshara stated she has been unable to attend BH RC&D meetings for June and August.

Director Beshara suggested we only put in the papers that the minutes can be found on our website. Discussion was held regarding what is required by SD Codified Law. Manager Livingston will further research what is required and submit a recommendation at the next meeting.

Director Koch suggested having a Rapid Creek informational meeting in Caputa for the private landowners in the lower Rapid Creek area.

Director Richer requested the Dakota Water Watch be an agenda item in November.

Director Jasper, Beshara and Richer voiced concern over too much information in the minutes going against the resolution to only record motions, resolutions, and bill pay.

Director Jasper requests a copy of the letter sent to the County regarding the Spring Creek issue. Jasper voiced concern that the County did not answer his question.

Director Richer also passed out a copy of Vermillion Basin Water Development District 2015 budget and the state's water development districts' tax valuation information for discussion at January's meeting.

Chairman Rogers asked the directors to start thinking about projects they want to see and strategic planning for 2015.

#### **ITEMS FROM PUBLIC**

**Adjournment** – 5:03pm Director Koch moved to adjourn Sawyer seconded. Motion passed.

Next meeting November 19, 2014

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hasenohrl, Secretary