

**Rainy-Rapid,
One Watershed One Plan**

**Policy Committee Meeting
Minutes of Meeting 6
April 11, 2023
Lake of the Woods County Board Room**

The Policy Committee Meeting began at 10:15 a.m. at a Public Hearing Session.

Attendance

Policy Committee Members: John Sonstegard (LOW SWCD), Monica Dohmen (LOW SWCD), Ed Arnesen (LOW County)

Policy Committee Members Absent: Cody Hasbargen (LOW County)

Steering Team Members: Josh Stromlund (LOW County), Mike Hirst (LOW SWCD), and Chad Severts (BWSR)

Others: Buck Nordlof, Joe Grund, Lorene Hanson, Woody Fiala, Lester Boomgaarden, Moriya Rufer (Virtual), others attended virtually

Introduction:

Chairman Sonstegard called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM. Hirst reviewed the purpose of the meeting and the agenda.

Approve Agenda:

A motion was made to approve the agenda by Dohmen, second by Arnesen and unanimous votes of the Committee.

Approve Meeting Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the February 7, 2023 Policy Committee Meeting Minutes by Arnesen, second by Dohmen and unanimous votes of the Committee.

Presentation of the Rainy-Rapid Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan:

Hirst gave a presentation of the plan to the attendees of the public hearing. There was some general discussion regarding the plan but no changes or edits were discussed or recommended.

A motion was made to recommend to the County and SWCD boards to submit the final plan to BWSR for approval and to adopt the plan upon approval from BWSR by Dohman, second by Arnesen and unanimous votes of the Committee.

Next Meetings:

This is likely the last meeting of the Rainy-Rapid Watershed "Planning" Policy Committee, however the "Implementation" Policy Committee under the Implementation MOA will be forming in the near future to recommend approval of a work plan for the upcoming implementation funding.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 pm on a motion by Arnesen, second by Dohmen and unanimous votes of the Committee.

Policy Committee Secretary

Date