

Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM Via Zoom (only this month)

AGENDA

1. Opening & Consider Agenda (10 min.)

- Approve <u>2/9/22 Meeting Minutes</u>
- Treasurer's Report <u>Monthly Financial Report</u> and <u>Bank Statements</u>

2. Updates (30 min.)

- 2022 Sherburne SWCD and/or MN DNR AIS Grant Applications
- Mississippi Watershed Comprehensive Plan (1W1P)
- AIS Early Detection and Rapid Response <u>Planning Material Revisions</u>
- MN COLA March Meeting Report
- Sherburne County AIS Spring Task Force Meeting

3. 2021 – 2022 Initiative Next Steps (30 min.)

- Business Sponsorship Campaign
 - o Review updates to contact list, website and draft directory
- Project Fund Use (e.g., Education, Lake Stewardship, AIS prevention, Lake Association Promotion, soil erosion, well sealing, or ag. projects)
- Sherburne County Partnerships
 - Sherburne County Environmental Educator (Winter 2022)
 - o "Adopt-a-Stormdrain" (AAS) Project
 - o Septic System Education and Compliance
 - Sheriff's Office Water Safety Annual Meeting

4. Meeting Follow-up Recap and Closure (5 min.)

SC COLA Board Upcoming Meeting Dates: 6/8*

*The proposed 2022-2023 meeting calendar will be presented on 6/8/22 for board approval.

MINUTES

Attendees: Shelly Alger-Peyton, Nate Bunce, Scot Chapman, Mike Donnelly, Cindi Edwards-Plant, Sharon Fischer, Patrick Plant, Scott Ruiter, Leslie Waterhouse, Chris Weber and DaCota Weinzetl.

1. Opening & Consider Agenda (10 min.)

A motion was made by Scot C. and a second from Leslie to approve the agenda. All were in favor; agenda approved.

- Approve <u>2/9/22 Meeting Minutes</u>
 - A motion was made by Leslie and second from Chris to approve the 2/8/22 meeting minutes. All were in favor; minutes approved.
- Treasurer's Report <u>Monthly Financial Report</u> and <u>Bank Statements</u>
 - A motion was made by Scot C. and second from Leslie to approve the Treasurer's Report. All were in favor; minutes approved.
- Patrick discussed possibly changing the standard 2nd Wednesday meeting date as a few members now have conflicts. He will discuss options with the Executive Committee either present options at the next meeting or send an email out to get your thoughts. The best alternate dates appear to be the 1st or 3rd Wednesday of every other month.

2. **Updates (30 min.)**

- 2022 Sherburne SWCD and/or MN DNR AIS Grant Applications
- Mississippi Watershed Comprehensive Plan (1W1P)
 - Due to delays due to legal discussion start date is pushed out to July 1, 2022. <u>The SC COLA</u> Board will select a representative for the citizen advisory committee at its June 8th meeting.
- AIS Early Detection and Rapid Response Planning Material Revisions
 - Patrick showed the changes that the DNR requested. The newly revised documents are linked on the website on the <u>Projects</u> page.
- MN COLA March Meeting Report
 - Sharon, our delegate, said it was an interesting and collaborative group. The meeting she attended was focused on wakeboats and their detrimental effects to the environment.
 - Patrick, our alternate, also attended, and said that MN COLA is pursuing legislation to mandate all watercraft operators have a license, similar to a driver's license whereby you could operate multiple watercrafts. He also mentioned that MN COLA is not always in arrangement with the watercraft industry promoted legislation, but in this case the two are partnering.

Scot asked how much this license would cost; Patrick did not know but will research it; Scot said he could too.

In addition, Patrick said that MN COLA is contracting with an administration support person that also works with other lakes associations, for billing, websites and other tasks.

Chris asked if anyone can attend their meetings and Patrick indicated yes. Their next meeting is in June, and Patrick will put a link to register for their meeting and an additional meeting they have called a round table and also links to MN COLA minutes on future SC COLA agendas.

Sherburne County AIS Spring Task Force Meeting

Although Dan was not on this meeting because of a parental leave, Patrick stated that he would like ideas for topics (such as new AIS threats) or speakers. <u>Please email to Patrick or Dan your</u> ideas.

3. 2021 – 2022 Initiative Next Steps (30 min.)

- Business Sponsorship Campaign
 - Patrick reviewed updates to <u>contact list</u>, <u>website</u> and <u>draft directory</u>

He said we could change the businesses contact sheet next year and remove those who have not previously responded to calls or emails. Scott R. asked if it was too late to contact businesses as he had a couple in mind, and Patrick there is a month or so to get in the directory and ads can be posted on the website at any time. In regards to the Directory, Cindi will revise and send out a draft for your review and feedback.

 Project Fund Use (e.g., Education, Lake Stewardship, AIS prevention, Lake Association Promotion, soil erosion, well sealing, or ag. projects)

There is a meeting set for May 3rd with those on this subcommittee (the Executive Committee, Sharon and Shelly). Ideas include using QR codes for people to scan to go to a website. One idea is a floating key fob with a QR code that links to our Projects page.

- Sherburne County Partnerships
 - Sherburne County Environmental Educator (Winter 2022)

Patrick showed the latest publication, which comes out quarterly. The SWCD does a great job, and almost the entire issue contained subjects about water quality, runoff, etc.

"Adopt-a-Stormdrain" (AAS) Project

This is now online and several communities have joined. <u>Please go to the site, give feedback and if you have ideas for community groups to join (i.e., the Scouts), please let Dan know.</u>

- Septic System Education and Compliance
 - There have been several positions at the County that have changed, so this has been delayed. A follow-up meeting will be planned.
- o Sheriff's Office Water Safety Annual Meeting

When Dan has returned, we will set up a meeting with Cole Petrowski, possibly in June.

4. Meeting Follow-up Recap and Closure (5 min.)

Please see meeting follow-up action items underlined above within the minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. with a motion to adjourn by Scot C.

Meeting minutes submitted by Cindi Edwards-Plant and Patrick Plant.