



## Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

5:15 PM – 6:30 PM

Via Zoom & Teleconference

### AGENDA

#### 1. Opening & Consider Agenda (35 min.)

- Approve [11/30/22 Meeting Minutes](#)
- Treasurer's Report [Monthly Financial Report](#) and [Bank Statements](#)
- 2023 Special Event Planning & Business Fund Use Sub-committees
- 2023 [Business Sponsorship Campaign](#) (January 12 – March 24)

#### 2. SC COLA Board 2/1/23 Meeting Planning (35 min.)

- Opening & Consider Agenda (10 min.)
  - Approve 12/14/22 Meeting Minutes
  - Treasurer's Report [Monthly Financial Report](#) and [Bank Statements](#)
- Updates (35 min.)
  - Rum River & Mississippi Watershed Comprehensive Plan (1W1P)
  - 2023 [Sherburne SWCD](#) Grant Applications
  - [2023 BWSR Clean Water Legacy Grant Program](#)
- 2022 – 2023 Initiative Next Steps (25 min.)
  - 2023 [Business Sponsorship Campaign](#) (January 12 – March 24)
  - 2023 Special Event Planning & Business Fund Use Sub-committees
  - 2023 Legislative Session Monitoring and Advocacy
  - Sherburne County Partnerships
    - “Adopt-a-Stormdrain” (AAS) Project
    - Sheriff's Office Water Safety Annual Meeting
- Meeting Follow-up Recap and Closure (5 min.)

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

SC COLA Executive Committee Upcoming Meeting Dates: 3/8, 5/10

# MINUTES

Attendees: Shelly Alger-Peyton, Scot Chapman, Dan Cibulka, Patrick Plant and Chris Weber.

## 1. Opening & Consider Agenda (35 min.)

- Chris moved to approve agenda, Scot seconded, motion passed.
- Approve [11/30/22 Meeting Minutes](#)
  - Shelly moved to approve minutes, Scot seconded, motion passed.
- Treasurer's Report Monthly [Financial Report](#) and Bank Statements
  - Two lake group memberships are still outstanding and Chris and Dan will follow-up with those groups.
  - Birch Lake to remain on lake list and Chris and Patrick will follow-up to determine membership.
- Treasurer's Report Monthly Financial Report and Bank Statements
  - MN COLA dues will be paid in a couple months and Chris will handle submitting the payment.
- 2023 Special Event Planning & Business Fund Use Sub-committees
  - Patrick discussed creating sub-committees for special event planning such as:
    - A planning committee for events like the "We Are Water MN" event and possible summer events such as: a pontoon ride on our lakes, etc. one event occurring in Feb/March and one during summer months.
    - A planning committee for the proposed geofencing campaign.
    - The special event ideas/needs can be discussed at next general COLA meeting, who can volunteer time, chair committees, etc.
- 2023 Business Sponsorship Campaign (January 12 – March 24)
  - Some of the "Annual Healthy Lakes" magnets are being saved for sponsorship promotion uses.
  - Campaign date schedule is similar to the schedule from 2022.
  - Patrick will update the sponsorship e-distribution list number to include Freemont Lake numbers.
  - Jeff Slater replaced Bob DuBois as the second SC COLA Board Delegate from Sandy Lake.
  - COLA members to work on getting new and keeping current sponsors if possible.
  - Patrick will email Sponsorship campaign documents to board members before COLA general meeting on 2/1/23.

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    - Open house kick-off on 1/31/23 @ 5:30pm were sent as invites via email to lake association members by Dan C. and COLA members were to forward onto their corresponding association board members.

- Dan C. discussed feedback letters of agreement from association members that will be used to steer the 10yr. conservation plan, the deadline for these letters is 1/31/23 and the letters will be displayed at the Watershed event.
- Scott R. and Sharon F. will be liaisons to the Citizens Advisory committee.
- 2023 Sherburne SWCD Grant Applications
  - All grant applications are due by 2/18/23, Dan C. will give general updates on the grant approval process at the February meeting.
- [2023 BWSR Clean Water Legacy Grant Program](#)
  - This topic does not need to be included in the February 1 agenda.
- Dan will give an update on the “We Are Water MN” event date/time and their committee’s discussion about creating a podcast for conservation ideas and/or a webinar series for the public to access.
- 2022 – 2023 Initiative Next Steps (25 min.)
  - 2023 [Business Sponsorship Campaign](#) (January 12 – March 24)
  - 2023 Special Event Planning & Business Fund Use Sub-committees
    - We discuss the reasons behind why we are asking for and in need of sub-committee members for special event planning.
    - Dan is going to discuss with SWCD staff how the COLA board can assist with various events, such as: donating funds for snacks, etc.
  - 2023 Legislative Session Monitoring and Advocacy
    - Patrick will provide a legislative update at the meeting.
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- We may cancel or reschedule the April 5 meeting due to the conflict that Chris and Dan have with the Sherburne Township meeting. The hope is to have a short meeting in conjunction with the “We Are Water MN” exhibit special event at the Sherburne County History Center. Dan is working on a proposed date for that. If we can’t do that, we may reschedule the meeting to May 3.
- Please see meeting follow-up action items underlined above within the minutes.
- The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m. with a motion to adjourn by Scot C.

Meeting minutes submitted by Shelly Alger-Peyton, SC COLA Secretary.