# Executive Committee Meeting

### Wednesday, January 10, 2024

### 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Via Zoom: [hyperlink](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89008126723?pwd=blh2Y2hDNnl2dlFnbkxhNE1MK1B4UT09) to join meeting

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## AGENDA



1. Opening & Consider Agenda (15 min.)

* Approve [11/8/23 Meeting Minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/17xN1nLMilljZ7CMm34AAFfSPuq6gXOUa/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117415464370246852042&rtpof=true&sd=true)
* Treasurer’s Report [Monthly Financial Report](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1u3Od1VXx0JvamoN6bCNmLkTWDYx37C3c) and [Bank Statements](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1MOPGplZ0rMIst2UfC3W4FvwmPBJ1Gp6E)

1. SC COLA Board 2/7/24 Board Meeting Planning (40 min.)

* Opening & Consider Agenda (10 min.)
  + Approve [12/6/23 Meeting Minutes](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1838TT0tti4YZv80yVlYmzHRGYuewiBCY/edit?usp=drive_link&ouid=117415464370246852042&rtpof=true&sd=true)
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* Updates (25 min.)
  + 2024 Sherburne SWCD and MN DNR AIS Grant Programs
  + Sherburne County AIS Fall Task Force Meeting Results/Next Steps
  + MN COLA [December Meeting Minutes](December%20Meeting%20Minutes) and [Legislative Agenda](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LrI1lvngvtHWmU1Th7ZGtBvzwSHIJIsC/view)
  + [Rum River](https://www.millelacsswcd.org/1w1p/rum-river-one-watershed-one-plan/) & [Mississippi Watershed Comprehensive Plan](https://www.millelacsswcd.org/1w1p/mississippi-river-st-cloud-watershed-plan/) (1W1P)
* 2024 [Business Sponsorship Campaign](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PAuxC9qxIeI3Gq-rZ6g5w0-G6ZL16tXg?usp=sharing) (10 min.)
* 2023 – 2024 Initiative Next Steps (25 min.)
  + Sherburne County Partnerships
    - * “[Adopt-a-Stormdrain](https://adopt-a-drain-sherburnegis.hub.arcgis.com/)” (AAS) Project Status?
      * County-wide water monitoring program
      * AIS Prevention Tools/Stations ([Aqua Weed Stick](https://aquaweedstick.com/collections), [Meeker](https://www.co.meeker.mn.us/585/AIS-NEWS), [CD3](https://www.cd3systems.com/PRODUCTS/))  
        Working Example: Association of Cass County Lakes (ACCL), DNR, Cass SWCD, LAs, Resorts, Service Providers are placing 100 AIS Cleaning Station Signs & Tools at public water access locations. Links to a [PBS video](https://youtu.be/wx6jMoR60uA?si=d91sb_T0LNI7T5tX), [KAXE article](https://www.kaxe.org/local-news/2023-08-08/association-of-cass-county-lakes-installs-almost-50-self-serve-ais-cleaning-stations) and [PDF](https://drive.google.com/file/d/16nfheuameJWigUHVHUl_tQJKlz6efvCm/view?usp=sharing) file with further information.
  + Additional Special Event and/or Project Planning
    - * [Keep It Clean Coalition](https://keepitcleanmn.org/)
      * Other event or project that we want to consider pursuing?
  + 2024 Legislative Session Monitoring and Advocacy
* Meeting Follow-up Recap and Closure (5 min.)

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SC COLA Executive Committee Upcoming Meeting Dates: 2/14, 5/8

MINUTES



Attendees: Shelly Alger-Peyton, Dan Cibulka, Sharon Fischer, Patrick Plant and Chris Weber

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* Sharon moved to approve agenda, Patrick seconded, motion passed.
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Sharon moved to approve minutes, Shelly seconded, motion passed.

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Patrick moved to approved financial report, Sharon seconded, motion passed.

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* Updates (25 min.)

2024 Sherburne SWCD and MN DNR AIS Grant Programs

- SWCD grants due 2/1/24 and Dan C. will have an update on the grants for our next meeting.

- DNR grant approvals may/may not be completed, website states Jan. 2024 results.

Sherburne County AIS Fall Task Force Meeting Results/Next Steps

- Dan C. will summarize meeting outcome.

MN COLA [December Meeting Minutes](December%20Meeting%20Minutes) and [Legislative Agenda](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LrI1lvngvtHWmU1Th7ZGtBvzwSHIJIsC/view) - next meeting March 19, 2024.

[Rum River](https://www.millelacsswcd.org/1w1p/rum-river-one-watershed-one-plan/) & [Mississippi Watershed Comprehensive Plan](https://www.millelacsswcd.org/1w1p/mississippi-river-st-cloud-watershed-plan/) (1W1P)

- Dan C. will present updates for both programs, outlining the remainder of the process, the public review period and dates along with a drafted plan by April 2024.

* 2024 [Business Sponsorship Campaign](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1PAuxC9qxIeI3Gq-rZ6g5w0-G6ZL16tXg?usp=sharing) (10 min.)

- Forms will be ready and it is encouraged to have associations publicize on social media and other areas/platforms.

- Patrick may be willing to continue to lead the sponsorship campaign in the future.

* 2023 – 2024 Initiative Next Steps (25 min.)

Sherburne County Partnerships

* “[Adopt-a-Stormdrain](https://adopt-a-drain-sherburnegis.hub.arcgis.com/)” (AAS) Project Status?

- Dan C. will be having a meeting January 24, 2024 with Franny and Francine. This program may end, due to very is few signups and no new information or input from the City of Elk River or Big Lake.

- Signup process is cumbersome and that is realized by SWCD.

- There is a new project through Hamline University that may be pursued in the future.

This subject will be tabled until February meeting, Dan C. decides on program outcome and/or new program introduction.

* County-wide water monitoring program

- Dan C. will create a spreadsheet to get a better understanding of cost w/ curriers or w/o curriers and any other missing information. Then a next work group meeting will be scheduled.

- Include Big Lake and Mitchell Lake in next meeting.

- Determine whether only a few associations would participate and in addition identify if there are training needs and/or monitoring alternate programs needed.

- Would like to create a written procedure and/or video of water testing procedures.

* AIS Prevention Tools/Stations ([Aqua Weed Stick](https://aquaweedstick.com/collections), [Meeker](https://www.co.meeker.mn.us/585/AIS-NEWS), [CD3](https://www.cd3systems.com/PRODUCTS/))  
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- Shelly stated the BLCA was not in favor of the tool stations at this time.

- Dan C. stated that SWCD would add it to the plan for funding if interest is high enough.

- If there is no interest at this time, we could put this on our 5yr. AIS plan and revisit.

- Looking at CD3 tool stations in varying pricing with a station for $3000 or less along with DNR collaboration.

Additional Special Event and/or Project Planning

* [Keep It Clean Coalition](https://keepitcleanmn.org/)

- Shelly and Chris will research pricing for ordering materials and determine needs.

* Other event or project we want to consider pursuing?

- Geofencing mentioned at Sherburne County AIS meeting was positive.

- Geofencing is expensive, but may be able to collaborate with Sherburne County to lower cost.

- A City of Elk River business uses a geofencing service that is expensive, but has large benefits for data, called “Placer.ai” shows the usage of city parks, local lakes, etc.

- Shelly and the BLCA is hosting Steve McComas the “Lake Detective” Saturday, April 13, 2024 at Palmer Township Hall to discuss spring algae blooms, ice out, AIS spraying, etc. It was discussed that this would be a great collaboration project for SC COLA to co-sponsor.

2024 Legislative Session Monitoring and Advocacy

- Patrick will include a link to the [MN COLA/MLR Legislative Agenda](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LrI1lvngvtHWmU1Th7ZGtBvzwSHIJIsC/view) in the board materials.

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* Please see meeting follow-up action items underlined above within the minutes.
* The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. with a motion to adjourn by Sharon.

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