

Clear Creek Watershed Coalition
Board of Directors – Quarterly Meeting
5:00 pm, April 18, 2018
Coralville City Hall, Council Chambers

Board Members Present: Coralville – **John Lundell**; Iowa County Soil & Water Conservation District – **Stewart Maas**; Iowa City – **Ben Clark**; Tiffin – **Al Havens**; North Liberty – **Tracey Mulcahey**; Johnson County – **Kasey Hutchinson**

Others Present: Jim Bartels – Tiffin; Kristina TeBockhorst – ISU Extension & Outreach; Dan Holderness – Coralville; Kate Gianinni – Iowa Flood Center/IIHR; Julie Kearney – UI CEA; Mary Beth Stevenson – IDNR; Jessica Turba – HSEMD; Joel Grabin – Landowner; Mike Wolfe – North Liberty; Aaron Guinnup – HR Green; Dave Kabel – Coralville; Elizabeth Elliott – Johnson County SWCD; Tom Gruis – ECICOG; John Rathbun – CCWC Watershed Coordinator; Jennifer Fencel - ECICOG

Call to order and introductions: Chairperson Lundell called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm.

Administrative:

- **Approval of agenda:** Motion by Mulcahey; second by Clark to approve the April 18, 2018 agenda. Motion carried.
- **Approval of minutes:** Motion by Clark; second by Maas to approve the January 17, 2018 minutes. Motion carried.

Clear Creek Watershed Planning Process Update:

- Watershed Assessment: Looking to completion May/June of this year.
- Social Assessment: Final report emailed to Board 4-17-18, Board will review in the coming week and unless significant changes are requested will be posted on website in a week.
- Goal Setting: Will host public meetings, likely two or perhaps three, July/August time frame.
- Budget tracking: The Clear Creek Watershed Coalition is on track and on budget.

Iowa Watershed Approach (IWA) Update:

- Iowa Flood Center: Kate Gianinni
 - Thanked Stewart Maas for hosting a media day for Flood Awareness month to highlight the weather station he is hosting on his farm. Also thanked Mayor Lundell for answering media questions and John Rathbun for attending.
 - Announced Otter Creek Watershed Tour. Iowa Watershed Approach is partnering with Northeast Iowa Resource Conservation & Development and the Turkey River Watershed WMA to host a bus tour, similar to the Soap Creek Watershed tour last summer.
- Practice Implementation Process:
 - Rathbun reported on the landowner informational meetings held at the end of January, a total of 44 landowners were represented, John Gahring and Larry Weber gave great presentations. On February 20th a contractor informational meeting was held and was very well attended, nearly 100 people were present.
 - John Rathbun presented the final documents for “Landowner/County Agreements” for Johnson and Iowa County landowners and the “Maintenance Agreement” for Board Approval. He said that the tech team and Assistant Johnson County Attorney have been through the documents. The CCWC Board gave Consensus Approval.
 - Rathbun presented to the Board the first group of Applications for Assistance from landowners. **Applications for Assistance:** Lacina, David & Dianne; Fuller, Tom; Ogden, Mark; Sippy, Rose Ann; Hahn, Brad; Conkling, Caryl; Knowling/Kennedy; Wood, Bob. Motion by Havens, second by Maas to approve the Applications for Assistance. Motion carried.

Announcements & Events:

- IWA Team Meeting – Des Moines, IA., 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, May 22nd.
- Otter Creek Tour – West Union, IA., 8:00 am – 3:00 pm, June 8th.
- Clear Creek Enhancement Board Creek Clean Up – Coralville, IA., 8:00 am – Noon, July 20th. Look for the sign up at Bur Oak Land Trust's website.

Next CCWC Board meeting:

CCWC quarterly Board meeting schedule is third the Wednesday in Jan, Apr, July, & Oct at 5:00 pm.

- July 18, 2018 at Coralville City Hall

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 5:53 pm