

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Managers  
Of the Two Rivers Watershed District  
Held: May 23, 2018 @ 8:00 a.m.**

The Board of Managers of the Two River Watershed District held their regular meeting beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 at the District Office located in the Kittson County Courthouse in Hallock, Minnesota.

Managers present included President Darrel Johnson, Secretary Daryl Klegstad, Roger Anderson, Gary Johnson, and Bruce Anderson. Vice President Allen Brazier & Treasurer Paul Olsonawski were absent.

Others present included District Administrator Dan Money, Head Technician Matt Thompson, Attorney Jeff Hane (Brink, Sobolik, Severson, Malm & Albright, P.A.), Engineer Blake Carlson (WSN Engineering), Engineer Nate Dalager & Jake Huwe (HDR Engineering), Myles Efta, and David Money.

The meeting was called to order by President D. Johnson. Johnson called for any additions or corrections to the proposed meeting agenda and also the meeting minutes from April 4, 2018. The minutes of the April 4, 2018 regular meeting were approved upon a **motion** by R. Anderson, **second** by G. Johnson, and **unanimous vote** of the Managers. The agenda was approved upon a motion by R. Anderson, **second** by Klegstad, and unanimous vote of the Managers.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Money presented the treasurer's report including the fund balances, accounts listing, and deposit detail. It was noted that checks written for the month include check numbers 8455 through 8487 and electronic funds transfers to PERA, MN Dept. of Revenue, and Electronic Federal Tax Payment System, as reported and contained within the report.

The treasurer's report was then approved upon a **motion** by B. Anderson, a **second** by Klegstad, and a **unanimous vote** by the Board.

**Administrator's Report:**

District Administrator Money gave a report on the following and distributed a handout:

**Legal Ditch Report:**

**Cattail spraying** for 2018 was discussed. Money will prepare a map and cost estimate and present it to the Board for review and approval at the June 6, 2018 meeting.

**KCD #21:**

- Redetermination of Benefits – Kittson County has turned the ditch over to the TRWD. During the KCD 21 Diversion 1 Improvement proceedings, the viewers that were appointed added some lands to the benefitted area, removed some lands that do not drain to KCD 21, and updated benefit values. However, updates were done only to the lands that drain to the improved portion of the ditch, not the main ditch. Therefore, there is a need to do a redetermination of benefits for the main ditch 21.
- Abandonment KCD 21 Diversion 1 - The "Kittson County Ditch #21 Diversion 1 Improvement has been approved, however its predecessor, the old "Kittson County Ditch #21 Diversion 1" is technically still on the books, although it is now physically replaced by the KCD 21 Diversion 1

- Improvement. There is a need to abandon KCD 21 Diversion 1, following the proper procedure in MN Statute 103D.
- The Board made a determination that the original benefits and damages for KCD 21 do not reflect reasonable present day land values and also that benefitted areas have changed. It was also determined that the original Kittson County Ditch #21 Diversion 1 is no longer needed. Upon a **motion** by G. Johnson, **second** by Klegstad, and **unanimous vote** of the Managers, it was approved to begin abandonment of the old “Kittson Co. Ditch 21 Diversion 1”, and to begin redetermination proceedings for the main channel of “Kittson County Ditch 21”.
  - Construction has begun on the KCD 21 Diversion 1 Improvement. Kraulick Excavating is working on the construction. It was noted that they have encountered frost along the ditch, and it may be feasible to delay the completion date past the current May 31 deadline. In addition, Boychuks, the landowners along the northern 1 mile of the project, have requested that a berm be constructed alongside the ditch using the excavated dirt. Engineer B. Carlson noted the original plan was to spread the dirt out into the field. In order to construct the berm, the contractor requested additional payment of \$3,960. Additional right of way of approximately 1 acre would be needed. After discussing the matter, G. Johnson **motioned** to 1) extend the completion date to June 30, if needed, and 2) approve a contract change order in the amount of \$3,960 to construct a berm, conditional upon Boychuks donating the additional 1 acre of right of way (valued at \$2,500 by the Viewers). The motion was **seconded** by B. Anderson and **unanimously approved**.

**JD10B:** A slough repair and a culvert repair have been completed by Twamley Construction. A portion of the costs for the slough will be reimbursed by MN Homeland Security Emergency Management under a cost share grant from 2017. The culvert repair will be split between the TRWD and Teien Township.

**Kennedy 6:** Sloughing has been repaired, and this too will be partially paid for by the 2017 grant mentioned above.

**Program Report:**

*Watershed Restoration & Protection Plans;* There has been no new information from the MPCA regarding either the ‘Lower Red’ or the ‘Two Rivers’ WRAPS.

*One Watershed One Plan:* The Kittson SWCD, Roseau SWCD, Kittson County, Roseau County, and Two Rivers WD have had preliminary discussions regarding updating their collective water plans into a One Watershed One Plan (1W1P) following Minnesota Statute. In addition, the Kittson SWCD has asked the Joe River WD to also participate. The process set up by the Board of Water & Soil Resources calls for 3 committees to be set up to gather information, set policy, and provide input to write the plan. The process is expected to take between 1.5 and 2 years. The Board discussed the planning process, noting that although upon completion the group will be eligible for significant grant resources from the state. The down side to this process is that it is time consuming and unnecessarily expensive. Upon a **motion** by Klegstad, **second** by B. Anderson, and a **4-1 vote** of the Managers, a resolution was approved in support of the planning process. Manager D. Johnson was appointed as the delegate to the policy committee and Manager G. Johnson was appointed the alternate.

*Buffers – Other Waters:* As discussed at last month's Board meeting, the buffer law requires that SWCD's in consultation with water management authorities come up with a description or map of "other waters" to be considered for buffers. The law does not require that these other waters have a buffer, but does require watershed districts to include the SWCD description / map in their overall plan. Discussion was held regarding the breadth of the descriptions the Kittson, Roseau, and Marshall SWCD's submitted, and the fact that although required by statute, none of the SWCD's consulted with the Two Rivers Watershed District. The Board generally does not agree with the other waters descriptions, but in order to comply with the law, a **motion** was made by R. Anderson, **seconded** by Klegstad, and the Board **unanimously approved** a resolution to include the other waters descriptions submitted by the three SWCD's.

*Meeting Date Changes:* The July meeting of the Two Rivers Watershed District falls on the 4<sup>th</sup>, which is a Federal holiday. Looking ahead at future meetings, D. Money requested a change to the August meeting. Upon a **motion** by G. Johnson, **second** by Klegstad, and **unanimous vote**, the July 4, 2018 scheduled meeting was changed to July 11, 2018, and the August 1, 2018 scheduled meeting was changed to August 8, 2018.

*2017 Annual Report:* D. Money presented the 2017 Annual Report of the TRWD. Upon a motion by B. Anderson, second by Klegstad, and unanimous vote of the Managers, the annual report was approved and the Administrator was directed to distribute it to all county commissioners and submit to the state as required by law.

*MAWD Summer Tour:* The MN Association of Watershed Districts will hold its summer tour and meetings in Chanhassen, MN on June 20-22. Any managers interested in attending should let D. Money know in order to get registered.

The MAWD legislative update was handed out and discussed. A very large 'omnibus' bill was passed by the house and senate but it appears will be vetoed by the Governor. Also a bonding bill was approved and sent to the Governor – there is no indications yet whether he will sign it or veto it. The bonding bill has \$20 million for flood damage reduction, and there is a very small chance that some of that could be approved for the KCWRP.

*Grant Opportunities:* It was noted that the Lessard Outdoor Heritage Council is currently accepting funding applications. Discussion was held regarding whether the Klondike Clean Water Heritage Fund is far enough along for the TRWD to submit an application. D. Money explained the application process and the detailed information that would be needed regarding environmental features of the project. Engineer Dalager noted that the District would benefit by having buy in from the DNR. With the short timeframe and the lack of specific information, it was decided to wait until 2019 to apply for funding. Another funding opportunity is currently being offered by the MPCA for long term water quality benefits. No action was taken.

*Spring Runoff:* Information was presented regarding the recent spring runoff. Several hydrographs for various locations were presented and discussed. There were no major flooding problems and the runoff was a relatively minor event.

*RRWMB:* The Red River Watershed Management Board report was distributed. It was noted the Sand Hill Watershed District is having concerns with the new employee structure, bookkeeping practices and principles, office location, and other RRWMB procedures, and they are considering withdrawing their membership. Discussions are being held to address their concerns. The next meeting of the RRWMB will be June 19 in Hallock.

**Appeal Hearing (continued from April 4, 2018):**

Myles Efta was in attendance regarding his appeal of permit #1759. This hearing is continued from April 4, 2018, and was re-convened at 10:45 a.m. The permit was approved to construct a dike, and the appeal deals with the condition of the permit that the dike be set back from the existing ditch a distance of between 50 feet and 75 feet. Efta would rather see a setback of 25' or less. The original hearing was continued in order for Engineer B. Carlson to analyze more closely the consequences. Carlson presented his findings that a dike set back 60 feet would raise the water level on adjacent properties 0.3'; a dike set back 20 feet would raise the water level on adjacent properties 0.4', and a dike immediately alongside the ditch would raise the water level 0.5'.

Discussion was held regarding the upstream lands that would be affected, and the downstream lands. It was noted that the downstream lands are owned by the TRWD and have been enrolled in the Wetlands Reserve Program, administered by the Natural Resources Conservation Service. Pending implementation of this program, effects could be seen on Efta's land, however, the TRWD has not received a final plan from NRCS.

The permit issued allows for raising water levels 0.3 feet. Given the information available, the ultimate question the Board needs to answer in this appeal, is it acceptable to raise water levels on adjacent lands greater than 0.3'. The Board would like further information on the effects the WRP project will have.

The hearing was continued again until July 11<sup>th</sup>. Administrator D. Money was directed to contact NRCS to get their engineered construction plans, if available. M. Efta will investigate the SD 95 right of way to see what his options are, and also discuss further with the upstream landowner.

**Attorney's Report:**

Attorney Jeff Hane of Brink, Sobolik, Severson, Malm, & Albright, P.A., gave an Attorney's report regarding the following items:

*Klondike Clean Water Retention Prj. #11:*

- Right of Way – Hane and D. Money researched the County assessed land values and handed out a spreadsheet for discussion with the Board. Hane also handed out draft language to be used in purchasing options for a right of way easement for lands along the diked inlet and diversions. Discussion was held regarding the proposed language and the potential payments and costs. No action was taken, and Hane was directed to make suggested changes to the document, including making it a purchase instead of an easement. Dalager will review the acreages needed and provide them to D. Money, who will revise the spreadsheet. Hane will revise the purchase option language and present to the Board later this summer.
- Farm Lease Agreements – Discussion was held regarding the farm lease agreement with East Farms. The District rented lands to East Farms and had signed agreement effective in 2015 and 2016. This allowed East Farms to be the operator and collect CRP payments. As operator they were responsible for performing any CRP maintenance required by the Farm Service Agency. Due to program regulations the 2017 CRP payments were not processed until just recently in 2018. As East Farms currently does not have a lease agreement with the District, a new agreement will need to be signed. East Farms feels they paid too high a rent in 2015 and 2016, and would like 1) the rent to be lowered, and 2) a refund for a portion of the rent paid in 2015 and 2016, in the amount of \$31,971.91.

The Board of Managers decided not to reimburse any money, and instructed J. Hane to put together a new lease agreement for 2017-2028 with lower rental rates that

were requested. The Board also instructed Hane to invite R. Johnson of East Farms to the June 6, 2018 board meeting to discuss any issues that he may have.

**Project Report:**

*Klondike Clean Water Retention Prj. #11:*

- Engineer Nate Dalager addressed the Board with a project update. He discussed the ‘Phasing’ plan, and has reduced the number of phases from 6 down to 5. Phase 1 would provide 20,000 acre feet of storage and cost \$7 million. Phase 2 would construct the diked inlet and cost \$8 million. Phase 3 would increase the storage from 20,000 acre feet to 30,000 acre feet and cost \$8 million. Phase 4 would increase the storage from 30,000 acre feet to 40,000 acre feet and cost \$6.8 million. Phase 5 would entail the constructions of diversions and reduction of peak flooding at a cost of \$4.2 million. The Board discussed the phasing, costs, funding considerations, permitting, and other project details. Dalager will present an engineer’s task order for approval at an upcoming meeting, and once that is approved and signed by the Board full fledged project design will begin.
- D. Money reported on the permitting subcommittee of the Big Swamp Project Work Team. A meeting was held to discuss the US Army Corps of Engineer’s and State of MN wetland permitting process, as well as the state Environmental Assessment Worksheet, and other local permits. Work will continue on the wetland permitting process.
- A meeting with the DNR to discuss the land exchange process has been scheduled for 1:30 – 3:30 at the DNR building in Thief River Falls on June 14<sup>th</sup>. The impoundment subcommittee (D. Johnson, Klegstad, Olsonawski) is encouraged to attend.

*Springbrook Prj. 10:* As part of the agreement the District signed for right of way for the project, we are responsible to perform maintenance activity on some land that is enrolled in the CRP program. The Farm Service Agency has ruled that mid contract burning is necessary, and so staff have hired a contractor to perform the work at a cost of approximately \$1,200. This is required to be done prior to May 31, 2018.

**Permits:**

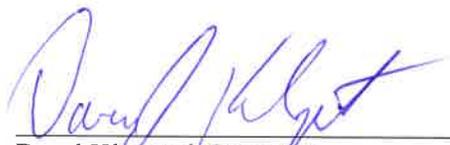
Upon a **motion** by -----, **second** by -----, and **unanimous vote**, the Board acted on the following permits. Conditions, if any, are listed on the permit sent to the individual.

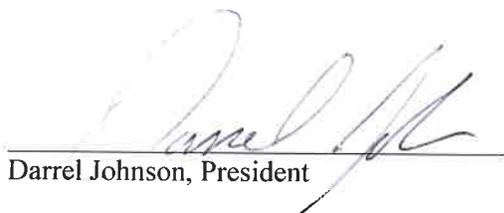
<i>App. #</i>	<i>Applicant</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Action</i>
2018-03 Committee	KCHD	.2mi s of jct Hwy4 & Hwy15	replace 2-30” w/1-56”span	Approved by
2018-05	BNSF Motion Klegstad, second R. Anderson – unanimous vote – 110 square foot opening	int. KCD 1 & BNSF RR	Bridge replacement	Approved
2018-08 Committee	Roseau County - Conditions listed on the permit issued to applicant –	Hereim 26	Bridge Replacement	Approved by
2018-10 Committee	Mike Jorgenson - <b><u>Appeal Pending</u></b>	Moose 19 & 30	Diking; Ditch Plug	Denied by
2018-11 Committee	Enbridge Energy	Svea 23	Dewatering/pumping	Approved by

2018-12	Enbridge Energy Motion G. Johson, second R. Anderson – unanimous vote – must maintain ditch capacity to avoid flooding of adjacent land	multiple locations	Tempory Crossings	Approved
2018-13 Committee	Bob Boychuk	NRR 13	Tile Drainage	Approved by
2018-14	Matt Kuznia cannot act on permit until applicant petitions ditch authority on benefitted area	Tegner 7	Tile Drainage	Tabled – TRWD
2018-15 Committee	M. Olsonawski	Hill 35	Tile Drainage	Referred to
2018-16	Enbridge Energy Motion G. Johnson, second R. Anderson – see condition on 2018-12	Svea & SRR Townships	Temporary Crossings	Approved
2018-17	Hampden Twp Motion G. Johnson, second B. Anderson – unanimous vote	Hampden 15	replace inplace w/42"	Approved
2018-18	Cory Wallenberg Motion Klegstad, second G. Johnson – unanimous vote – 24" culvert	N Red River 3-4	grade stabilization	Approved
2018-19 Committee	Jerod Hanson	Davis 8	field crossing w/36"	Referred to
2018-20	Hill Township Motion Klegstad, second G. Johnson – unanimous vote – replace 24" cmp with 20"	Hill 34	culverts, riprap	Approved
2018-21 Committee	Darrel Johnson	Hampden 25	tile drainage	Referred to

With no other matters to come before the Board of Managers, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

  
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 Daryl Klegstad, Secretary

  
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 Darrel Johnson, President

# Two Rivers Watershed District

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May 23, 2018

Motioned by Manager R. Anderson, seconded by Manager Klegstad, the following resolution, numbered 2018-01, passed upon a 5-0 vote of the Board of Managers of the Two Rivers Watershed District.

## **Resolution to Incorporate the Summary of Watercourses into the Overall Plan of the Two Rivers Watershed District**

**Whereas;** Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103F.48 requires soil and water conservation districts (SWCDs) in consultation with local water management authorities, to develop, adopt, and submit to each local water management authority within its boundary a summary of watercourses, and

**Whereas;** The Board of Water and Soil Resources has adopted Buffer Law implementation Policy #6 'Local Water Resources Riparian Protection ("Other Watercourses")' which identifies steps SWCDs are required to take in developing said inventory, and

**Whereas;** Kittson, Roseau & Marshall SWCD's have adopted a Descriptive inventory of other watercourses and provided it to the Two Rivers Watershed District, and

**Whereas;** Two Rivers Watershed District recommends that implementation of buffers or other practices on these waters be voluntary in nature, and

**Whereas,** MN Statute 103F.48 requires that SWCD's shall develop, adopt, and submit a summary of watercourses in consultation with local water management authorities, and

**Whereas,** none of the three SWCD's consulted with the Two Rivers Watershed District prior to submitting their summaries, and

**Whereas,** Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103F.48 requires a local water management authority that receives a summary of watercourses identified under this subdivision must incorporate an addendum to its comprehensive local water management plan or comprehensive watershed management plan to include the SWCD recommendations by July 1, 2018, and

**Whereas,** The Two Rivers Watershed District has reviewed the summaries submitted, and does not agree with what is listed, and

**Whereas;** Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103F.48 does not require a plan amendment as long as a copy of the included information is distributed to all agencies, organizations, and individuals required to receive a copy of the plan changes.

**Therefore, be it resolved that;** The summary of watercourses or “other waters” for Two Rivers Watershed District shall be incorporated as an addendum in its current local water management plan.

**Be it further resolved that;** The Two Rivers Watershed District was not consulted by any SWCD in the development of the summary, does not agree with the summary, and therefore does not endorse the summary. The summary will be listed in the District’s Overall Plan for the sole purpose to comply with the buffer law by meeting the deadline imposed by the law.

**Be it further resolved that;** The Board of Managers of the Two Rivers Watershed District authorizes staff to provide a copy of the addendum and any supporting information to be distributed to all agencies, organizations, and individuals required to receive a copy of the plan changes.

I certify that the above resolution was adopted by the Two Rivers Watershed District Board of Managers on Wednesday, May 23, 2017.



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Dan Money, District Administrator

5/23/18

Language to be incorporated into the TRWD Overall Plan for the Other Waters provision in the TRWD Overall Plan:

**Other Waters**

The Kittson, Roseau, and Marshall Soil & Water Conservation Districts have each individually submitted resolutions to the Two Rivers Watershed District describing “other waters” as it pertains to the Minnesota Buffer Law, Statute 103F.48 subd. 4. Although the law clearly states that SWCD’s must consult with the TRWD, none of the three SWCD’s afforded the TRWD the opportunity the chance to consult with them to develop and adopt a summary of watercourses for inclusion in the TRWD’s Overall Plan.

The Two Rivers Watershed District does not agree with the descriptions of other waters that were provided, and therefore does not endorse the descriptions of Other Waters. The Two Rivers Watershed District would like to see a listing of “Other Waters” that is tailored to local priorities and local resources. Although the Two Rivers WD was not consulted, the SWCD resolutions are listed here to comply with the law. The TRWD does not agree with the listings, and would like the opportunity to consult with the SWCD’s on the list of other waters during future water planning updates.



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Resolution # 2017-02

## Other Waters - Roseau County

**Whereas;** Minnesota statues 103F.48 requires SWCDs in consultation with local water management authorities, to develop, adopt, and submit to each local water management authority within its boundary a summary of watercourses for inclusion in the local water management plan.

**Whereas;** The summary of watercourses has been commonly referred to as "other waters".

**Whereas;** The Roseau SWCD believes the purpose of identifying "other waters" is to be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the voluntary installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Whereas;** Current state and federal programs exist to provide landowners with incentives to voluntarily install buffer or filter strips.

**Whereas;** Current State and Federal programs have eligibility criteria for watercourses where water quality would benefit from the installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Whereas;** Producing a map of all the watercourses meeting the eligibility criteria would be time consuming and may not be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Therefore be it resolved that;** The summary of watercourses or "other waters" for Roseau County shall be descriptive in format instead of in map format.

**Be it further resolved that;** the description of watercourses to be included in the summary of watercourses or "other waters" **shall be;** All watercourses deemed eligible for the adjacent land to be voluntarily enrolled into a buffer or filter strip practice under the current eligibility criteria for state and federal programs. Excluding those watercourses depicted on the DNR buffer protection map.

A list of watercourses included in this descriptive inventory are;  
Perennial streams, Seasonal streams depicted on USGS topographic maps,  
Perennial streams, Seasonal streams depicted on soil survey maps,  
Identified by onsite visits, and drainage ditches that are perennial or seasonal streams

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE "OTHER WATERS"  
FOR  
THE MINNESOTA BUFFER LAW**

{Local Government Unit – Kittson SWCD}  
{Resolution 1702}

**Whereas;** Minnesota statues 103F.48 requires SWCDs in consultation with local water management authorities, to develop, adopt, and submit to each local water management authority within its boundary a summary of watercourses for inclusion in the local water management plan.

**Whereas;** The summary of watercourses has been commonly referred to as "other waters".

**Whereas;** The Kittson SWCD believes the purpose of identifying "other waters" is to be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the voluntary installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Whereas;** Current state and federal programs exist to provide landowners with incentives to voluntarily install buffer or filter strips.

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**Whereas;** Producing a map of all the watercourses meeting the eligibility criteria would be time consuming and may not be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Whereas;** The "other waters" map must stay voluntarily, and can not be used to expand the watercourse depicted on the DNR Buffer protection map.

**Therefore be it resolved that;** The summary of watercourses or "other waters" for Kittson County shall be descriptive in format instead of in map format.

**Be it further resolved that;** the description of watercourses to be included in the summary of watercourses or "other waters" shall be; All watercourses deemed eligible for the adjacent land to be voluntarily enrolled into a buffer or filter strip practice under the current eligibility criteria for state and federal programs. Excluding those watercourses depicted on the DNR buffer protection map.

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Adopted this 14<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2017.

By:   
Chair of the Kittson SWCD



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**MARSHALL COUNTY SOIL AND WATER  
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March 21, 2017

Motioned by Manager Nordling, seconded by Manager Potucek, the following resolution, passed upon a 3 to 0 vote of the Board of Managers of the Marshall Soil and Water Conservation District.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE  
MARSHALL SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
"Other Waters" for Marshall County**

**Whereas;** Minnesota statues 103F.48 requires SWCDs in consultation with local water management authorities, to develop, adopt, and submit to each local water management authority within its boundary a summary of watercourses for inclusion in the local water management plan.

**Whereas;** The summary of watercourses has been commonly referred to as "other waters".

**Whereas;** The Marshall SWCD believes the purpose of identifying "other waters" is to be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the voluntary installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Whereas;** Current state and federal programs exist to provide landowners with incentives to voluntarily install buffer or filter strips.

**Whereas;** Current State and Federal programs have eligibility criteria for watercourses where water quality would benefit from the installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Whereas;** Producing a map of all the watercourses meeting the eligibility criteria would be time consuming and may not be inclusive of all watercourses where water quality would benefit from the installation of a buffer or filter strip.

**Therefore be it resolved that;** The summary of watercourses or "other waters" for Marshall County shall be descriptive in format instead of in map format.

**Be it further resolved that;** the description of watercourses to be included in the summary of watercourses or "other waters" shall be; All watercourses deemed eligible for the adjacent land to be voluntarily enrolled into a buffer or filter strip practice under the current eligibility criteria for state and federal programs. Excluding those watercourses depicted on the DNR buffer protection map.

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2018-02

Motioned by Manager Klegstad, seconded by Manager B. Anderson, the following resolution, numbered 2018-02, passed upon a 4-1 vote of the Board of Managers of the Two Rivers Watershed District.

### **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE TWO RIVERS WATERSHED DISTRICT Supporting a One Watershed, One Plan Project**

**WHEREAS**, The State of Minnesota has through statute made requirements for local units of government to adopt plans and official controls related to local water planning, and

**WHEREAS**, Local plans can be adopted either individually by Counties, Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and Watershed Districts on their own or jointly as One Watershed One Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, The Minnesota Legislature has made it voluntary for each local entity to choose which type of planning they undertake either individually using traditional planning or jointly using One Watershed One Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources will provide full funding under competitive grants for a local water plan only if the local units of government choose to plan under the One Watershed One Plan option. The BWSR will not provide any funding if local units of government choose to plan using traditional planning methods. Further, the BWSR has adopted a "One Watershed One Plan Transition Plan" that states '*BWSR will require adoption of a One Watershed One Plan by 2027 to be eligible for future competitive grant awards through BWSR*', and

**WHEREAS**, the One Watershed One Plan process for the Two Rivers is estimated to cost up to \$300,000 and take between 1 to 2 years to write, while traditional plans take significantly less funding and time, and

**WHEREAS**, while One Watershed One Plan is optional, it is clear the MN BWSR is steering local units of governments in the direction away from traditional planning and toward One Watershed One Plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Managers of the Two Rivers Watershed District hereby recognizes watershed-scale planning efforts consistent with Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 103B.801, also known as One Watershed, One Plan and associated funding being offered by the BWSR; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that to remain eligible for competitive grant funding through BWSR, the Two Rivers Watershed District will collaborate with the counties, soil and water conservation districts, and other stakeholders within the Two Rivers Watershed (outlined in red on attached map) for watershed-scale planning efforts; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Two Rivers Watershed District supports an application to the Board of Water and Soil Resources for a planning grant to develop a comprehensive watershed management plan and anticipates entering into a Memorandum of Agreement with the counties, soil and water conservation districts, and other stakeholders within the Two Rivers Watershed to collaborate on this effort, pending selection as a recipient of a planning grant.

I certify that the above resolution was adopted by the Two Rivers Watershed District Board of Managers on Wednesday, May 23, 2017.

Dan Money, District Administrator

Two Rivers Watershed – One Watershed One Plan planning boundary

