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**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

The meeting of the Two Rivers Plus Joint Powers Board was held at the Kittson County Courthouse and virtually.

The meeting was called to order by JPB Chair, Landon Olson at 9:00 a.m.

**Joint Powers Board Members present:** Primary: Leon Olson (KCounty) and Daryl Wicklund (RCounty)

**Others present:** Jeremy Benson, Janine Lovold, Bonnie Hasbrouck

**Via Teams:** Andrew Muir (KSWCD), Landon Olson (RSWCD), Matt Fischer (BWSR)

**Passing of the Meeting**

Due to Landon Olson participating virtually through Teams he called for a motion to pass the meeting over to Jeremy Benson to conduct the meeting for everyone attending in person.

Passing of the meeting was approved on a motion by Leon Olson, Seconded by Wicklund, and carried unanimously.

**Agenda**

Jeremy Benson presented the agenda. No additional items were added to the agenda.

The agenda was approved with a motion by Leon Olson, seconded by Muir, and carried unanimously.

**Minutes**

The February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Minutes were reviewed.

The Minutes were approved on a motion by Wicklund, seconded by Leon Olson, and carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

Janine Lovold presented the Treasurer's Report.

The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by Leon Olson, seconded by Wicklund, and carried unanimously.

**Kittson County Cooperative Agreement**

Jeremy Benson presented a Cooperative Agreement for Kittson County and the Two Rivers Plus JPB. This implementation agreement is for project that Kittson County would like to do to address stabilizing sloughing issues occurring within the planning area. Kittson County is asking to utilize \$46,875.00 from the Streambank/ Grade Stabilization and \$7,000 from the Technical and Engineering portions of the WBIF grant. Jeremy also stated that because of Landon Olson not being here to sign as the Chair on the agreement that him being able to sign the agreement on behalf of the Two Rivers Plus JPB.

Kittson County Cooperative Agreement was approved with Jeremy Benson signing as the Authorized signature on the agreement for the Two Rives Plus JPB by a motion from Muir, seconded by Wicklund, and carried unanimously.

**FY24 Watershed Based Implementation Funds Proposed Workplan and Project Requests**

Jeremy Benson presented a draft of the FY24 WBIF Workplan. Stated that the Two Rivers Plus JPB will be eligible for FY24 funds sometime late summer early fall of 2023. Matt Fischer gave an update on the status of the FY24 WBIF. The Two Rivers Plus JPB is looking at a possible increase in funding amount and that this drafted workplan should be pre-approved with the option that Jeremy and Janine can adjust it if needed to account for any possible funding changes being made. Jeremy stated that if the FY24 WBIF grant application is not open by the time we have our August Board meeting that the board would see an updated workplan at that meeting to approve again.

The FY24 WBIF Workplan was pre-approved with Jeremy Benson and Janine Lovold having the ability to adjust the budget accordingly if there is an increase in the allocation amount on a motion from Muir, seconded by Wicklund, and carried unanimously.

**Program Update**

Jeremy Benson gave a report using the Tracking Tool on how each of programs are doing for interest and funding levels remaining in each program.

Presented a cost sharing agreement with the Two Rivers Watershed District. This agreement is for the Two Rivers Watershed District to contribute 12.5% of the total cost for contract number KWBF22-31 for a grade stabilization/ Texas crossing project. This would bring the total cost share contract with the landowner to 87.5%.

The Two Rivers Watershed District 12.5% Cost Share Agreement for KWBF22-31 was approved and for Jeremy Benson to sign as the Authorized Representative on any future cost share agreements that may come for projects on a motion from Leon Olson, seconded by Wicklund, and carried unanimously.

**Next Meeting Scheduled**

August 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM at the Kittson County Courthouse.

**Meeting Adjourned**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30AM made by Wicklund, seconded by Leon Olson, and carried unanimously. Meeting Adjourned.



Secretary

8-17-23

Date