



**MUD, CAMP, & SPRING CREEK WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING**

**CITY OF ALTOONA, IOWA
CITY HALL
407 EIGHTH STREET SE, ALTOONA, IOWA**

**August 23rd, 2017
1:30 PM**

Attendees:

WMA Members:

*Madeline Sturms – City of Pleasant Hill
Skip Dunbar – City of Runnells
Marketa Oliver – City of Bondurant
Vern Willey – City of Altoona
Robert Rice – Polk County*

Others:

*Amanda Brown
John Swanson
Ann Wolf
Pam Mollenhauer
Clifford Leonard
Chris Widmer*

1. Welcome/Introductions – *Madeline Sturms, Chair 1:30pm*
2. Coordinator Contract Discussion

Madeline Sturms gave an overview of the new WMA Coordinator Contract and how it differs from last year's. The current agreement has been going on for almost a year and is ending in September. The new agreement proposes a three year period instead of a one year period and associated costs have gone up a little. The reason for the increased cost is due to increased work load for Polk SWCD.

John Swanson said that several cities have already made motions to officially pass the new agreement; Bondurant, Altoona, and Pleasant Hill. He is still waiting to hear from Jasper County, Runnells, and Mitchellville. He will be contacting them directly.

Madeline entertained a motion to support the new WMA Coordinator agreement hiring Polk SWCD to do implementation work for the next three years. Vern Willey made the motion and Bob Rice seconded it; motion passed.

Bob Rice said that he has proposed that the agreement is on the next Polk County Board of Supervisors meeting agenda on September 5th.

3. Other Comments/Discussion

John Swanson let the group know that he will be giving a review on what the Polk SWCD has done towards implementation in the three metro watersheds on September 21st from 2-4pm at the Ankeny Public Services Building. This review will consist of an hour long presentation from himself and other Polk SWCD staff highlighting accomplishments and

then an hour of guided/open discussion from attendees on how they think implementation is going.

Pam Mollenhauer from the State Hygienic Lab (SHL) commended the group on keeping the project local and retaining local staff efforts. Regarding monitoring goals in the management plan, she stated that the SHL is supportive and is there for any help we may need in accomplishing this goal.

Ann Wolf with Heartland RC&D stated that she and the rest of her organization are also here to collaborate and help in any way possible.

Bob Rice stated that Polk County is working with Snyder and Associates on finding projects that the county can support. One project they are currently working on is putting signs up naming all the tributaries throughout Polk County. Rice states that this will help people take ownership of their streams.

4. Next Quarterly Meeting; October 11th, 2017

Altoona city hall at 1:30pm.

5. Adjourn

Vern Willey 1st, Marketa Oliver 2nd, 1:44pm