

MICHIGAN RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 10, 2009
Grand Traverse Resort, Traverse City, MI

Meeting called to order by President, Kenyon at 3:01 p.m.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was dispensed with due to no flag.

Roll call by Burrows revealed:

Present: Chris Kenyon, President
Gerry Burrows, Secretary/Treasurer Rolly Olney
El Wygant Bob Masters
Cherokee Thompson Ken McDonough
Bob Studt

Absent: Andrea Schroeder, Vice-President

Others: Tim Neumann, Executive Director Fred Morin, Past President

Present: Shannon Wilson, Weinlander Fitzhugh

Motion by McDonough, 2nd by Thompson to approve the March 10, 2009 Board Meeting Agenda. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Thompson, 2nd by Olney to approve the February 19, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

President's Report by Kenyon: Discussion on Executive Board elections, MRWA Policies. Much discussion.

National Director's Report by Olney: updated Board on NRWA and legislative. Much discussion.

Audit Report: Shannon Wilson of Weinlander Fitzhugh gave the 2008 audit presentation of MRWA. The presentation covered the financial highlights, financial statements, notes, graphs, the single audit and the management letter. Wilson also reported that there were no difficulties with MRWA in performing the audit and there were no disagreements with management and that everything was in good order. There were also questions and discussions on the audit for Wilson.

Executive Director Report by Neumann: Federal appropriations update, water withdrawal legislation, red flag rule, conference and golf outing.

Committee Reports: Morin provided conference committee report and was provided with packet. Olney provided legislative committee report and report was attached in Board packet.

Old Business

Motion by Olney, 2nd by Wygant to approve the Board Policies Amendments. There was much discussion on the policies. Roll call vote – 7-yes and 1-no.

New Business:

Motion by Thompson, 2nd by McDonough to approve the 2008 audit as presented. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McDonough, 2nd by Olney to approve the MRWA Retirement Plan Resolution and authorizing Tim Neumann Executive Director to sign. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McDonough, 2nd by Studt to approve the USDA-FSA Source Water 2009-2010 Operating Plan . All in favor, motion carried.

For the record – discussion on voting procedure to Executive Board – Absent member with cause can delegate in writing a proxy to vote in absence for positions of President, Vice-President or Secretary/Treasurer.

Note – Record of Board meeting minutes and Agenda after approval by made available on-line

Motion by Olney, 2nd by McDonough to adjourn the meeting at 4:57 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.