



LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Executive Summary for Action

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting
Wednesday, June 15, 2022

Agenda Item

Item 4. D. – Receive and file March 2022 Citizen Advisory Committee meeting minutes

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Summary

The Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) met on June 7, 2022. A quorum of the committee was present to officially approve the meeting minutes of the March 2022 CAC meeting.

The CAC toured LMRWD cost share projects located at the Carver County government Center. While there we met Paul Moline of the Carver County WMO. He reported that the County was happy with the native plantings that were introduced with the LMRWD Cost Share Project and has expanded the area that will be maintained with native planting. The shoreland surrounding Courthouse Lake was mowed down to the waters edge. Two years ago the County replanted the lawn with natives. The expanded area has not been as successful as the original project. Mr. Moline said it was due to the amount of maintenance provided. He also said that the County was successful in getting funding from the DNR, to plant an area between Courthouse Lake and the Chaska Levee with native plants and will move ahead with that project this season. The property in question is owned by the City of Chaska and has been maintained as mowed lawn.

The CAC decided to cancel its July meeting, since it falls on July 5th. They expressed interest in no-mow lawns, so we will ask Nine Mile Creek Watershed District if it would be possible to tour its building at the August CAC meeting. The CAC has been added to the stakeholder list for the Lower Minnesota River East 1W1P kick-off meeting on July 26th. They would like to attend the Corps of Engineers River Resource Forum in August to tour the Bass Ponds Habitat Restoration that was completed in 2021.

Attachments

March 2022 CAC meeting minutes

April 2022 CAC meeting notes

May 2022 CAC meeting notes

Recommended Action

Motion to receive and file March 2022 CAC meeting minutes