



## Board Minutes – October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

### **Attendees**

1. Jessie Olson
2. Chris Smith
3. Sue Schaffler
4. Kathy Peterson
5. Barbara Luneau
6. Jenny McCarty
7. Ken Lenarcic
8. Joseph Ryan
9. Monica Bortolini
10. Darren Beck
11. Eric Smith
12. Yana Sorokin

### **Welcome and Introductions**

- Chris called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM and went through introductions.

### **Approval of Minutes**

- **Motion:** Barbara moved, Sue seconded, to approve minutes from the August Board Meeting and September Strategic Planning Meeting; the motion carried unanimously.

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### **Staffing Update and New Positions**

- Jessie provided staffing update and shared new organizational chart and described responsibilities of each position. Jessie also explained timeline of filling positions. Asking for feedback and approval will occur with annual budget.
  - Board voiced support of new organizational chart.
  - Jenny noted benefit of vegetation skills across community and science positions.
- Ken noted it would be nice if Maria and/or Jessie could contact the Town Board with an update.

### **Health Insurance Renewals**

- Jessie showed health renewal spreadsheets, and made recommendation on suggested new plan.

- Board agreed on approving the recommended PPO plan.

### **IT Update**

- Jessie provided information on the IT service procurement (which does not meet threshold to require board approval) by discussing details on costs and comparisons. She compared three options moved forward with the cost effective option. Chris explained need for new service.

### **Strategic Planning Meeting Update**

- Jessie reviewed strategic plan process, timeline, and next steps.
  - Chris thanked everyone for attending and participating.
  - Jessie encouraged everyone to review the strategic plan meeting comments and make sure each individual's comments are accurately reflected.
  - Jessie noted that she is updating the strategic plan with the planning committee in Dec/Jan and will share an updated plan in January.
  - Jessie noted that annual work plan will take place in parallel with the strategic planning process.

### **Wildfire Mitigation Measure**

- Jessie described process for how Board decided to support 7A Measure. (Sean gave a presentation about the measure and then the board voted to support it.)
- Jessie described the new Wildfire Mitigation Measure (1A) that will be on the November ballot and noted that we could include information in our newsletter and on our website about it if the Board is supportive of that.
- Chris and Ken commented the Left Hand Water District and Town of Jamestown were supportive of the measure and wrote a resolution. Sue added that Left Hand Fire Protection District has supported it, as have all of the rural fire Chiefs.
- Discussion ensued on responsibility of board members as representatives of the Watershed Center compared to as representatives of the entity that they represent.
- **Motion:** Kathy moved, Sue Seconded for the Board to be in support of 1A. Jenny, Monica, and Darren abstained from voting.
- Chris asked that Board members appointed by an entity to look into that with Legal.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 PM.