

<b>Two Rivers Plus</b>  <b>One Watershed, One Plan</b>	<b>Policy Committee</b>  Meeting #12 Minutes	<b>Date: 2/18/2021</b>
		<b>Time: 9:30AM- 12:00PM</b>
		<b>Location: Downstairs Meeting room Kittson County Courthouse/ Webex</b>

**Staff Support:**

**Note taker: Justin Muller, Jeremy Benson**

<b>Present:</b>	Policy Committee Members listed below Local Staff BWSR Staff/Webex
<b>Pre-work:</b>	Review Full Plan Draft Comments
<b>Policy Committee:</b>	Joe Wilebski (KSWCD), Rick Sikorski (TRWD), Leon Olson (Kittson County) Landon Olson (RSWCD), Alts: Andrew Muir (KSWCD) Call In: Daryl Wicklund (Roseau County)

- ❖ **Call Meeting to order 9:35AM: Vice Chairman Daryl Wicklund**
- ❖ **Vice Chairman Daryl Wicklund deferred the meeting to be ran by Jeremy Benson as he was attending via Webex and had troubles hearing everyone.**
- ❖ **Minutes from Meeting #11 January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021**
  - **Leon Olson Wilebski motioned to approve Meeting #11 January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 minutes.**
  - **Joe Wilebski Second, none opposed**
- ❖ **Synopsis:**
  - Jeremy Benson gave an update that the Steering Team had addressed the comments received through the informal review process and has submitted the plan for the 60-day formal review per PC decision at the January meeting.
  - Jeremy Benson deferred meeting back to Landon Olson Chairman upon his arrival to the meeting.
  - Dan Money presented the “major” comments received Informal Review Comments and how they were addressed before sending out for formal review.
    - Noted that after meeting with MPCA and DNR that consistent language was agreed upon for addressing the major issue comments received through the informal review process.
  - Jeremy Benson presented the joint collaboration agreement.
    - Jeremy mentioned that there were some language issues with the collaboration agreement pointed out by the Roseau and Kittson County attorneys. He had tried to reword the language differently in hopes to address them.
    - Discussion was had on which way the planning group would pursue moving forward. Roseau SWCD voiced some reservations as to moving forward as a collaboration versus an entity, stating that if down the road we decided to form an entity that why not do it now. It would be consistent for them and Roseau County as they are in a Joint Powers Board in another 1W1P. Other members in the group felt that having another layer of government for implementing the plan was unnecessary and that a collaboration leave the door open to form an entity down the road if needed.
    - Further discussions with Roseau County and Roseau SWCD boards is needed to proceed further with the agreement before more is done. All LGU board should discuss the matter as well.
  - Jeremy gave a timeline for completion. April 14<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the 60-day review process. Matt Fischer detailed the process and the timelines to review and approve the plans noting the 60-day comment period, local board approval, public hearing and finally BWSR approval. He stated that comments received through this process must be addressed 10 days before the public hearing and the public hearing must be at least 2 weeks after the 60-day review process. Plans must be approved by each LGU board prior to submitting to the BWSR NW Regional Committee by May 14<sup>th</sup>. Tentative meeting date for April PC meeting to address 60-day review comments would be April 15<sup>th</sup> to allow for timeline.
  - Dan Money state that a newsletter article should be put in the Greenbush Tribune, North Star News, and Kittson County Enterprise.
    - Rick Sikorski motioned, Leon Olson Seconded. None opposed.
  - Next Meeting Scheduled for March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 time and place TBD. Discussion will be had on JPC Agreement and Plan Content Review.
- ❖ **Meeting Adjourned at 11:04 AM.**