

Headwaters of the South Skunk River, Watershed Management Authority
July 20, 2022, 10:00 AM
Erickson Park Shelter House – 110 North Park St., Roland, IA
Also available via Zoom

Attendees:

Voting Members - Linda Murken (Story County), Nathan Hovick (City of Roland), Leah Maass (Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District via Zoom), and Tim Gartin (City of Ames via Zoom).

Non-voting – Neil Weiss (City of Ames), Mike Cox (Story County Conservation), Kimberly Grandinetti (Story County Environmental Health), Brian Lammers (Hamilton County Conservation), Kate Hansen (Center for Rural Affairs), Kyle Ament (Iowa Department of Natural Resources), Marianne Harrelson (Story County Conservation), Megan Volkens (IDALS), Sara Carmichael (Story County Conservation), and Matt Mardesen (JEO Consulting Group). Catherine De Long and Julian Canabal-Rodriguez (ISU Extension), Adam Rupe and Amelia Long (JEO Consulting Group) via Zoom

1. Meeting is available for public viewing via Zoom.
2. **Call To Order** – by Murken at 10:05 AM
3. **Roll Call** – Introductions of all in attendance and via Zoom
4. **Approval Of Agenda** – MOTION by Hovick, SECOND by Gartin. MCU.
5. **Approval Of Minutes** – May 25, 2022 – MOTION by Hovick, SECOND by Gartin. MCU.
- 6I. **Update On 28E Agreement** – Murken stated that the revised 28E Agreement is still not finalized. Hardin County had decided to opt-out of the 28E Agreement and she is awaiting information to determine if this will require the jurisdictions to have to sign the agreement again.
- 6II. **Acknowledgement Of Alternate Board Members** – Murken introduced Leah Maass as an alternate for the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District.
- 7I. **JEO Project and Schedule Update** – Adam Rupe reviewed the items that he will be covering at today's meeting. He will review the draft copy of the Long-term Implementation Plan (Chapter 5). At the next (final) meeting, he will present the full draft plan, the executive summary, and finalize plans for the Public Open House. A tentative date/location for the open house is Thursday, November 10th at the Sons of Norway in Story City over the lunch hour and at the Jewell Golf Course in the afternoon/evening. A link to a draft copy of the plan will be placed on the Story County and Hamilton County websites for the public to review.
- 7II. **Overview of Long-Term Implementation Plan (Chapter 5)** – Adam presented the draft of Chapter 5 and reviewed some of the plan's content and asked for any comments or suggestions. This chapter is intended to be a twenty-year "road map" or strategic level implementation plan. There are strategies, a toolbox of BMPs, costs, schedules, milestones, evaluations, and the benefits listed in this part of the plan. Adam will update this section of the plan with comments from today and email it out for review before the next meeting.
- 7III. **Next Steps** – At the next meeting, we will finalize the planning for the Public Open House and the full draft plan. Adam will present the Executive Summary Poster and talk about using the plan, partner rolls, getting things started and the relevancy of the long-term plan.

8. **Watershed Assessment Results For Long Dick Creek And Keigley Branch Priority Areas** – Kyle Ament presented some of the information that he gathered from the assessment of the Long Dick Creek and Keigley Branch areas. He talked about sheet rill erosion and sediment delivery in these areas. He also made notes in his assessment about no-till and cover crop fields.
9. **Public Comments** - None
10. **Next Meeting** – Scheduled for Wednesday, August 31, 2022, at 9:00 AM in Roland.
11. **Adjournment** – at 11:58 AM.