

**MICHIGAN RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**June 25, 2020**  
**Homestead Resort**  
**Glen Arbor**

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by President Tom Anthony at 8:30 a.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present

**Roll Call:** Board Secretary/Treasurer, Bob Masters called the roll. Present were: Bob Masters, Eli Bromley, Tom Anthony, Bob Studt, Tim Kading, Andrea Schroeder, Randy Seida, Dale Stewart, Chris Kenyon.

Excused Absence:

Attending by Zoom Tim Krugh

Quorum was present.

Staff: Tim Neumann

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion was made by Schroeder, seconded by Seida to approve the June 25, 2020 agenda.

Vote: All in favor; motion carried.

**Approval of the Minutes:** Motion was made by Schroeder and seconded by Seida to approve the December 19, 2019, March 12, 2020 and March 31, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes.

Vote: All in favor, motion carried.

**MRWA 2019 Audit:** Shelley Browning from Weinlander Fitzhugh presented the 2019 audit to the board via Zoom.

**President's Report/Executive Committee Report:** President Anthony thanked MRWA staff and updated on challenges recently.

**National Director Report:** Kenyon updated on NRWA Finance committee meeting, WaterPro and Matt Holmes becoming NRWA CEO on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Approval of Financials:** The Financial reports for December 2019 through May 2020 were presented. Motion was made by Schroeder to approve the financial reports as presented; seconded by Bromley. Discussion and questions followed. Secretary/Treasurer Masters role called the vote. Motion passes unanimously.

**Executive Director's Report:** Neumann stated report was covered in committee meetings and would comment when those committee's report out.

**Committee Minutes:**

- A. Chair Anthony presented the December 19<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes and reported on the executive committee 6/24/20 meeting which included Financials/Budget, Investments, National Director Update, Vehicles, NOVI Membership Database, Executive Director Vacation, By-Laws, Annual Meeting, 2026 Annual Conference.

- B. Co-Chair Krugh reported on the conference committee December 19<sup>th</sup> and February 14<sup>th</sup> minutes which were included in the board packet and reported on the 6/24/20. Committee discussed 2020 conference and what to do.
- C. Chair Seida presented the December 19<sup>th</sup> minutes and reported on Membership/Training 6/24/20 Committee meeting in which discussions were held on Irontech Security, AWIA, H2Bid, NOVI Membership Database, NRWA Apprenticeship Program, Training Division Update, EPA Training Specialist Program, COVID-19, Federal Programs Update/In-Service, MIWARN.
- D. Chair Kenyon presented the December 19<sup>th</sup> minutes and reported on the 6/24/20 committee meeting which covered National Director update, EGLE, PFAS, Water Rally, Federal Funding/COVID Update, 2019-2020 State Legislation.
- E. Chair Studt presented the December 19<sup>th</sup> minutes and reported on 6/24/20 committee meeting and the committee reviewed Board Policies, 2020 Board Election and 2021 Election.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

- A. Motion to approve to approve MRWA's 2019 audit as presented by the Weinlander Fitzhugh by Schroeder and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kenyon. Motion carries unanimously.
- B. Motion to approve the USDA-SW 2020-21 Operating Plan by Seida, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kading. Motion carries unanimously.
- C. Motion to nominate Bob Studt and Tim Kading as MRWA delegates to NRWA Annual Meeting and for Randy Seida and Tom Anthony as alternates by Kenyon and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Seida. Motion passes unanimously.
- D. Motion to nominate Chris Kenyon as MRWA's National Director to NRWA by Schroeder and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Anthony. Motion passes unanimously.
- E. Motion to approve the purchase of 3 new vehicles at the cost of \$42,864.10 per vehicle by Schroeder, 2<sup>nd</sup> Stewart. Roll Call Vote, motion passes unanimously.
- F. Motion to approve the NOVI Association Management Software(AMS) proposal for \$15,300 and on-boarding cost of \$4,495 as recommended by Membership/Training Committee by Kading, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Masters. Roll Call Vote, motion carries unanimously.
- G. Motion to cancel the MRWA 2020 Annual Conference at Soaring Eagle as recommended by the Conference Committee by Schroeder, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Masters. Roll Call Vote, motion carries unanimously.
- H. Motion to add a year to Soaring Eagle Conference Contract and hold the 2026 Annual Conference there as recommended by the Conference Committee by Schroeder, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Studt. Roll Call Vote, motion carries, Masters & Kenyon – No.

- I. Motion to allow Executive Director Neumann to carry over 1 extra week of vacation to be used by 12/31/20 by Schroeder, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kading, Roll Call Vote, motion carries unanimously.

**Other:**

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Schroder; second was made by Seida.

Vote: Motion carries.

President Anthony adjourned the meeting at 9:47 am.

Respectfully submitted by:  
Tim Neumann  
Executive Director, MRWA