

MINUTES: Yahara WINs Executive Committee meeting:

DATE: 9/20/22

TIME: (approx. 2:35)

LOCATION: Virtual meeting

SUBMITTED BY: Greg Fries - Secretary

Executive Committee:

- X Martin Griffin, President, MMSD
- X Greg Fries, Secretary, City of Madison
- X Jeff Rau, Treasurer, Village of Oregon
- X Tom Wilson, Towns and Villages Association
- X Judd Blau, Village of Deforest, Vice President
- X Kyle Minks, Dane County Representative
- X Laura Hicklin, Dane County Representative
- John Reimer, Dane County Representative
- Matt Diebel, Dane County Representative
- Jeff Endres, Yahara Pride Farms Representative
- Bob Uphoff, Yahara Pride Farms Representative
- James Tye, Clean Lakes Alliance Representative
- X Kim Meyer, MMSD
- X Kathy Lake, MMSD
- Andrew Behm - DOA
- X Amy Piaget, Dane County Representative
- X Paul Dearlove, Clean Lakes Alliance Representative
- X Jon Lindert, Strand
- Richard Weihert
- Becca Dymzarov, Rock River Coalition
- James Rhinerson
- Phil Gaebler, City of Madison Engineering
- X Christopher Murphy

1. Opening

- a. Call to Order – Martye called the meeting to order at 2:35
- b. Welcomed guests and visitors

2. Review and acceptance of June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 meeting minutes

Motion - by Rau

Second - by Blau

Voice Vote – Unanimous Approval

3. Other Business Items:

- a. Yahara Pride Farm Funding Request for Cost Share Program. Griffin made a brief presentation – summary: the funding proposed in the budget is slightly less than the amount requested by YPF. Discussion was had on the large increase

(essentially a doubling plus) of the YPF funding request from last year. Dearlove requested that transparency be paramount in the funding of private entities with public dollars. Laura Hicklin echoed the request for transparency. More discussion made it clear that there needs to be detail in the contract with YPF to fully understand what is going to happen with that funding, and how TP reductions are going to be verified and validated. There remains the challenge of counting pounds in the same manner between partners. YPF submits an annual report and that report needs to be shared with partners fully so that there can be transparency and confidence in the reporting documentation. Discussion was had as to whether YPF had the capacity to spend these dollars, and Martye reminded that any unspent funds are returned or not provided to begin with. There was a question about making sure that we are not double counting actions taken on the same farm by Dane Co and by YPF since they do not get to see each other's records. Kim Meyer indicated that MMSD does however get to see all records to verify that double counting is eliminated or minimized.

Wilson made a motion to approve the funding allotment to YPF as proposed in the DRAFT 2023 budget. This proposed funding is in the amount of 425,000.00 to YPF for 2023. After approval of the budget, the next step in this process will be approval by the Executive Committee an agreement/contract with YPF.

Motion by Wilson

Second by Rau

Voice Vote – Unanimous Approval

- b. Draft 2023 Budget – Griffin provided a brief summary of the major changes in the budget from 2022 to 2023. These changes are summarized as bullet points in the spreadsheet attached to the agenda. Blau made some request for the presentation of budget to show the relative changes by line from one year to the next. Ideally the budget, actual and proposed for the next year.

Wilson made a motion to recommended approval of the draft budget as submitted to be presented to the larger IGA

Motion by - Wilson

Second by – Blau

Voice Vote – Unanimous Approval

- c. Informational Item – City of Stoughton Revised Buy-In – Meyer gave us a brief presentation on a recalculation of Stoughton's contribution based on some updated numbers. Blau had a question on how communities know that they can request a recalculated amount of buy-in. The method and timing of this is in the IGA.
- d. Informational Item – Update on Phosphorus Reduction Accounting – Staff has been discussing how to count pounds to make sure that partners are being counted as uniformly as possible. The Adaptive Management plan and WDNR require the use of Snap Plus but that is all the guidance calls for and there are multiple methods in Snap Plus. Discussion was had that discussions are continuing with our partners (Dane Co

and YPF) to address the counting of pounds issue. Once we have an agreement internally, we will make a proposal to the WDNR.

a. Future Agenda Items – None noted

4. Motion to Adjourn made by Rau  
Second by Blau