

Susan Thornton, Director

MINUTES

Wednesday, June 30, 2010

8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

State Office Building, Room 5

St. Paul, MN 55155

Members Present: Sen. Ellen Anderson, Al Berner, Jeff Broberg, Rep. Lyndon Carlson, Sen. Satveer Chaudhary, Tom Cook, Sen. Dennis Frederickson, Nancy Gibson, John Herman, Norman Moody, Sen. Pat Pariseau, Rep. Tom Rukavina, Rep. Ron Shimanski, Sen. Jim Vickerman, Rep. Jean Wagenius, Elizabeth Wilkens

Staff Present: S. Thornton, S. Shreffler, M. McDonough, M. Banker, D. Griffith

Members Excused: Rep. Larry Howes

Chair: Sen. Jim Vickerman

1. Approve agenda for LCCMR meeting for June 30, 2010

Commissioner Vickerman called the meeting to order at 8:55 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Gibson moved to approve the agenda for June 30, 2010 – motion prevailed.

2. **Members report potential conflicts of interest regarding today's business**

MS 116P.09 Subd 6 Conflict of interest. A commission member, technical advisory committee member, a peer review panelist, or an employee of the commission may not participate in or vote on a decision of the commission, technical advisory committee, or peer review panel relating to an organization in which the member, panelist, or employee has either a direct or indirect personal financial interest. While serving on the commission, technical advisory committee, or peer review panel, or being an employee of the commission, a person shall avoid any potential conflict of interest.

No conflicts of interest for today's meeting were reported.

3. **2011-2012 Proposal Presentations – see attached schedule**

See attached Presentation Schedule for June 30, 2010 (Attachment 1). Members heard proposals starting at 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. along with the 2:00 p.m. proposal. Members reconvened at 12:30 p.m. for the process discussion.

4. **Process discussion**

Commissioner Broberg started the discussion on the 2011-2012 process for allocations by discussing the following ideas:

1. During allocations review the RFP categories in a random order. Fund the best projects within categories.

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2. Decide how the LCCMR ID: 104-D, "MeCC 6 – Overall Metropolitan Conservation Corridors Summary" and LCCMR ID: 106-D, "HCP 7 – Overall Habitat Conservation Partners Summary" will be scored and allocated, either as a whole or by individual project elements.
3. Recommended members making notes on proposals for review.
4. Move LCCMR ID: 215-H, "Lake Vermilion State Park Development" to Category C. Methods to Protect, Restore, and Enhance Land and Habitat and LCCMR ID: 216-H, "Helping the Canada Lynx Population in Minnesota Recover" to Category A. Natural Resource Data and Information and therefore having only 7 categories instead of 8.
5. Set a budget for each category. Members would send in their choice of budget levels for each category using 80% of the total available funds.

Members discussed the pros and cons of the suggestions and decided to continue the discussion later in the day in order to keep to their schedule for proposal presentations and not keep proposers waiting.

5. Continue 2011-2012 Proposal Presentations – see attached schedule

See attached Presentation Schedule for June 30, 2010 (Attachment 1)

6. Process discussion (continued after presentations in the afternoon)

Members continued discussion on Commissioner Broberg's suggestions.

Commissioner Broberg asked to have staff provide the history of dollars recommended by category.

There was concern expressed about selecting proposals in categories by using an arbitrary percentage per category. Commissioner Wagenius expressed that during the legislative process it was important to be able to: (1) speak to the high quality of the proposals; (2) receiving a lot of "bang for the buck"; and (3) a balance across the state.

Commissioner Frederickson reminded members about the issue raised in the Senate in the last legislative session regarding scores and how it had needed to be explained that new information was received between the scoring and the allocations.

Members decided through a general consensus to do the following:

1. Members would provide individual scoring to staff for compilation by the July 9, 2010 as adopted on June 22, 2010 and it would be used as one tool in the allocation discussion.
2. To begin allocations by a random selection of the RFP categories;
3. To score ID: 104-D, "MeCC 6 – Overall Metropolitan Conservation Corridors Summary" and LCCMR ID: 106-D, "HCP 7 – Overall Habitat Conservation Partners Summary" individually but to discuss during allocations how the breakdown of dollars within each proposal should be determined;
4. To keep LCCMR ID: 215-H, "Lake Vermilion State Park Development" as a separate category; and move LCCMR ID: 216-H, "Helping the Canada Lynx Population in Minnesota Recover" to Category A. Natural Resource Data and Information.

Susan Thornton said staff would provide the funding history as requested.

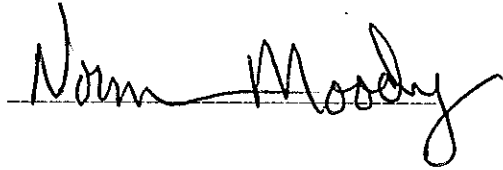
7. Other business (as needed)

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8. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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