

MINUTES
Lessard-Sams Outdoor Heritage Council (LSOHC)
June 16, 2021
Remote Meeting via Zoom, pursuant to MS 13D.021 and MS 13D.04

Call to Order: Vice Chair Ron Schara called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

Members Present

David Hartwell (Chair)
Ron Schara (Vice Chair)
Sen. D. Scott Dibble
Dudley Edmondson
Kristin Eggerling
Rep. Josh Heintzeman
Mark Holsten
Ashley Peters
Tom Saxhaug
Jamie Swenson

Members Absent

Rep. Jamie Becker-Finn (excused)
Sen. Andrew Lang

A quorum was present.

1. Review and Approve Agenda: Member Saxhaug made a motion to approve the agenda – **Motion Prevailed**

2. Review and Approve Minutes: Sen. Dibble made a motion to approve the minutes from May 26, 2021 – **Motion Prevailed**

3. Conflicts of Interest Reported: No new conflicts of interest were reported by Councilmembers. Previous reports of conflicts still stand.

4. Chair's Comments: Vice Chair Schara informed Members that Chair David Hartwell was unable to preside over the meeting due to an unexpected family matter, and would instead be present in a listening capacity as long as able.

5. Executive Director's Report: Executive Director Mark Johnson provided an update for the Council regarding the progress of the ML 2021/FY 2022 Legacy bill as related to the current legislative special session, along with information regarding easement stewardship and enforcement fees. Council discussion followed.

6. Approval of ML2021/FY2022 Accomplishment Plans: Project Analyst Manager Sandy Smith gave the Council an overview of ML 2021/FY 2022 Accomplishment Plan approval process. Council discussion followed.

Action: Chair Hartwell made a motion to approve all the draft Accomplishment Plans as final for the ML 2021 appropriations pending final passage of the Legacy Omnibus bill in special session by the Legislature and Governor. Sen. Dibble seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYE:

Hartwell
Schara
Sen. Dibble
Edmondson
Eggerling
Rep. Heintzeman
Holsten
Peters
Saxhaug
Swenson

NAY:

ABSENT:

Rep. Becker-Finn
Sen. Lang

10 AYES, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT – **Motion Prevailed**

7. ML2022/FY2023 Proposals – scoring, hearing plans, daily discussion of Proposals: Executive Director Mark Johnson gave an overview of items pertinent to the ML 2022/FY 2023 Proposal review process. Mr. Johnson reported that a total of 50 Proposals had been submitted to the Council for consideration. Staff will mail binders to Councilmembers who request them after all proposals have been finalized. Council discussion followed.

8. Presentation – LCC – Accessibility issues and where we are currently: Michelle Weber, Executive Director with the Legislative Coordinating Commission provided an update for the Council regarding ongoing legislative efforts to meet the October 1, 2024 statutory deadline requiring compliance with all state developed standards regarding the accessibility of legislative technology systems, websites, etc. Council discussion followed.

9. ML 2019 5(n) Pig's Eye Lake Islands Habitat Restoration and Enhancement Discussion: Scott Yonke, Director of Planning and Development with Ramsey County Parks and Recreation, Nathan Campbell, St. Paul District Senior Program and Project Manager with US Army Corps of Engineers, and Aaron McFarlane, St. Paul District Biologist with the US Army Corps of Engineers provided an update to the Council regarding changes in the overall cost of the Pig's Eye Lake Islands Habitat Restoration and Enhancement project. Council discussion followed.

10. Public Comments: Commission Assistant Amanda Schnabel reported that no public comments had been submitted to the Council. Council discussion followed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:01am.

APPROVED:

Ron Schara, Vice Chair

Date

Kristin Eggerling, Secretary

Date