

Central Sands Groundwater County Collaborative (CSGCC) Meeting

Monday, June 27, 2022 10:00 AM

In-person at Hancock Agricultural Research Station, also an option to Join via Zoom

Present: Bill Leichtnam (chair), Chris Zindorf, Bill Clendenning, Al Rosenthal, Ed Hernandez, Todd Wahler, Mark Piechowski, Sue Smith, Jen McNelly; and online: Lionel Weaver, Mary Robl, Anna James, Dustin Ladd, Pat Kilbey. Also present: Howard Fischer, Keith Ripp, Nathan Sandwich, Dr. Carla Romano; and online: Lance Pliml, Mike Parsen, Ken Bradbury, Ben Jeffrey, Ray Bossart, Sara Stelter.

1. Call to order and attendance

Chair Leichtnam called meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

2. Review and approval of prior meeting minutes

Motion (Zindorf/Rosenthal) to approve minutes. Passed.

3. Legislative updates

4. Introduction of members and collaborators

5. County groundwater updates - Conservation and Public Health (order JAWaWoPM)

Updates were briefly shared. Notably, Waushara County is starting to implement its ARP program. Interested participants are starting to purchase treatment systems. Proof of reduction is required for reimbursement.

6. CSGCC Overview

Jen McNelly presented an overview of this collaborative.

7. Overview and updates of current research project, communication and data collection

Dr. Carla Romano shared an overview of this current research project.

8. Discussion/possible action on bylaws

Motion (Rosenthal / Zindorf) to adopt bylaws with two amendments to section 3.1: 1.) replace "of the year" with "after April", and 2.) omit "following" (where it is redundant with "next"). Motion passed unanimously.

9. Future Possible Speakers

The question of whether we want to continue to have an occasional speaker was briefly discussed. Comments (as follows) generally favored the idea. Speakers would ideally have something to do with our work. We could have a facilitator work with us to outline next steps. Lynn Markham's topic was a helpful since zoning decision may come up. Guest speakers could generally be very helpful.

10. Inter-county communication / newsletter

11. CSGCC Funding

Leichtnam suggested putting some thought into any prospects for funding our collaborative work, briefly noting foundations (which often like to see local match) and county-level dues as potential sources. Zindorf noted forthcoming infrastructure money as a potential funding source not just for community water systems, but also solutions for individuals.

12. Upcoming meeting(s): August 22nd @ 10 AM

13. Adjourn

Motion (Zindorf/Leichtnam) to adjourn. Adjourned at 11:40.