Present: Clayton Petersen, Gary Pestorious, Arthur Ludtke, Scott Erlandson and Al Bakken

Absent: Dan DeBoer and Roger Peterson

Chair Manager Clayton Petersen called the Board Workshop to order at 1:45 pm, at the Freeborn County Government Center, 411 S. Broadway, Albert Lea, Minnesota.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers presenters: Sierra Keenan, Study Planner; Andrew Leichty, Project Manager and Matt Afflerbaugh, Biologist.

The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the Freeborn County Section 206 Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study. Objectives of the study:

- Increase the quality and quantity of overwintering fish habitat in Albert Lea Lake
- Reduce sediment resuspension in Albert Lea Lake
- Increase the acreage of emergent and submersed aquatic vegetation in Albert Lea Lake
- Increase the availability and suitability of bird habitat in Albert Lea Lake and the Shell Rock River Headwaters.

The group discussed:

- Resource problems and stressors
- Constraints
- Alternative plan foundation
- Modeling to evaluate effects of alternative plan

Upcoming Tasks:

- Complete evaluation and comparison of alternatives: model runs, ecosystem and habitat benefits, cost estimates, and cost effectiveness/incremental cost analysis
- Select a plan

Manager Pestorious offered the following motion:

Move to adjourn the meeting.

Manager Erlandson seconded the meeting.

After discussion, a vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned.