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Meeting Date: 9/5/2023

Title: Appointments to the Capitol Region Watershed District Board of Managers

File Number: 2023-352

Background and Rationale:

The Capitol Region Watershed District (CRWD) is led by a five-person Board of Managers that guides CRWD implementation of the goals and objectives set forth in its [Watershed Management Plan](https://www.capitolregionwd.org/watershed-management-plan/) [<https://www.capitolregionwd.org/watershed-management-plan/>](https://www.capitolregionwd.org/watershed-management-plan/). Board managers generally manage water and related resources in the Watershed District, which includes portions of Falcon Heights, Lauderdale, Maplewood, Roseville and Saint Paul. Board managers are residents of the watershed district and serve a three-year term.

There will be three vacancies on the CRWD Board of Managers due to term expirations. Recruitment through the county's open appointment resulted in four applications, three from incumbents and one new applicant. On July 19, 2023, the applications were forwarded to three Ramsey County Board of Commissioners to interview each applicant, which gave the commissioners the opportunity to engage with and learn more about each applicant. Interviews occurred between August 14, 2023 through August 19, 2023, for final recommendations.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

Appoint the following individuals to the Capitol Region Watershed District Board of Managers for a term beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2026:

- Joseph P. Collins (Incumbent)
- Rick Sanders (Incumbent)
- Hawona Sullivan Janzen (Incumbent)

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

By: 

Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board