

STATE OF MINNESOTA THIRTY-THIRD MEETING
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES NINETY-SECOND SESSION

Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy

MINUTES

Representative Hansen, Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy Committee, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. on October 27th, 2021, pursuant to House rule 10.01. The meeting was conducted over Zoom and broadcast via House Public Information Services, Facebook Live, and YouTube live streaming.

The Committee Legislative Assistant noted the roll.

Members present:

HANSEN, Rick (Chair)
WAZLAWIK, Ami (Vice Chair)
HEINTZEMAN, Josh (Lead)
ACOMB, Patty
AKLAND, Susan
BACKER, Jeff
BECKER-FINN, Jamie
ECKLUND, Rob
FISCHER, Peter
IGO, Spencer
JORDAN, Sydney
KEELER, Heather
LEE, Fue
LIPPERT, Todd
LUECK, Dale
MORRISON, Kelly
NELSON, Nathan

Members excused:

GREEN, Steve
THEIS, Tama

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. A quorum was present.

A presentation was given presenting updates on the work of the Department of Natural Resources on Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD).

Presenters:

Dr. Kelly Straka, DNR

Dave Benke, Director of Resource Management and Disposal MN Pollution Control Agency

Bob Meier, Assistant Commissioner DNR

An update was presented by the Board of Animal Health on work regarding CWD.

Presenters:

Dr. Beth Thompson, Executive Director Board of Animal Health

Dr. Linda Glaser, Assistant Director Board of Animal Health

Bob Meier, Assistant Commissioner DNR

An update was presented by the DNR on Emerald Ash Borer (EAB)

Presenters:

Amy Kay Kerber, Forestry Outreach and Legislative Affairs Supervisor DNR

Emma Schultz, Community Forest Project Specialist DNR

Bob Meier, Assistant Commissioner DNR

An update was presented by the MN Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) on Local Government Water Infrastructure Grants

Presenters:

Katrina Kessler, Assistant Commissioner MPCA

Rep. Hansen adjourned the meeting at 11:30 AM.

Rick Hansen
Chair of Environment Finance and Policy

Adam Kopel
Committee Legislative Assistant