



## UMWA August Meeting Minutes

Thu, August 20, 2020 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CDT)

1. In attendance:
  1. Executive Board: Tom Burrows, Doug Hosszu
  2. Staff: Amy Beckham
  3. Members: Ava Langston-Kenney St Paul Port Authority, Chuck Dillerud, Dan Cottrell USACE, Mark Caspers, Paul Rohde, Paul Freeman, Steve Tapp USACE, Patrick Phenow, Mark from TC Western RR, Patrick Murray from MN Aggregate Council, Brett Coleman with USACE, Mike Wilson - Wilson Oil, Linda Loomis
  4. Visitors:
2. Minutes – n/a, no quorum in July
3. Chairman’s Report n/a
4. Executive Director Report – n/a
5. Agency Report
  1. WCI - Paul Rohde – running out of time in Congress, about five weeks of time left before the election. House is returning early for a USPS vote. Senate is doing a different approach and merge with House version, vote in September which will be the largest period of time that congress will be in session. 3 billion came in funding last month, but it doesn’t appear that the bill is going to advance. WCI has begun releasing state specific statistics via social media, MN or WI is coming out 9/1. The data is also available on [waterwayscouncil.org](http://waterwayscouncil.org). spent last week on la grange lock on episode of Built to Last, on rehab of that lock system. They are doing a virtual symposium on November 12. There will be a virtual board meeting on November 10 open to all members in good standing. It’s a good time to host a member of congress for a virtual tour, if any of our members are interested plz reach out to paul and he can help set it up.
  2. USACE – Daniel Cottrell - attached
  3. LMRWD – Linda Loomis – FY 21 budget passed. Levy of 725K passed, same as 2020. Sending letter to governor and legislature urging them to pass a bonding bill this year. No other news to report.
  4. MNDoT – Patrick Phenow – no report this month.
6. New Business
  1. Presentation by Chuck Dillerud “Greening the River – Reducing Diesel Emissions”. Very well done presentation, thank you Chuck!
7. Adjourned 1:45 p.m.