



## MEETING MINUTES

Board of Managers Regular Meeting

March 11, 2020 - 3:00 p.m.

City Hall, South St. Paul, MN

### **Managers and Alternates in Attendance:**

Sharon Lencowski, (Chair) Inver Grove Heights  
Jill Smith, Mendota Heights (Alt)

Tom Sutton, Lilydale  
Patti O'Leary, Sunfish Lake

### **Advisors and Others in Attendance:**

Pat Murphy, Saint Paul  
Krista Spreiter, Mendota Heights  
Cody Joos, West St. Paul  
Greg Williams, Barr Engineering

Tom Kaldunski, Inver Grove Heights  
Lee Elfering, South St Paul  
Greg Genz, South St.Paul, FOP2  
Joe Barten, Dakota County SWCD

### **1. Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lencowski at 3:05 p.m.

#### **1.1 Public Comment / Introductions**

#### **1.2 Approval of Agenda**

Lencowski asked for any changes to the agenda; there were none.

**MOTION** by Sutton to approve the agenda for the March 11, 2020 meeting, second by O'Leary; motion passed.

### **2. Approval of February 12, 2020 Meeting Minutes**

Lencowski asked if there were any changes to the previous meeting minutes; a few minor changes were noted and will be reflected in the minutes.

**MOTION** by O'Leary to approve the minutes from the February 12, 2020 meeting; second by Smith; motion passed.

### **3. Approval of March 11, 2020 Financial Summary & Invoices**

Spreiter provided an overview of the financial summary including invoices to be paid and recommended approval. Smith asked for clarification on overages for the alum treatment grant. Barten noted there were overages on the matching funds (more funds received from the City of Mendota Heights) as well as overages in monitoring costs done by Barr Engineering on the tail end of the project for Lake Augusta. Barten mentioned the potential for further study into the cormorant population at Lake Augusta as potentially having an impact on lake water quality.

**MOTION** by Smith to approve the March 11, 2020 financial summary and invoices to be paid, second by Sutton; motion passed.

**4. Seidl's Lake Cost Allocation Discussion**

Williams provided a handout of the updated Seidl's Lake Cost allocation, explained the project, and the allocation determination process per the LMRWMO JPA. Elfering asked for clarification on the sponsor determination, which was explained by Williams. There was general agreement by the Board that the allocation should be provided to the project partners for consideration.

**5. Review Draft Stakeholder Engagement Plan for LMRWMO Watershed Management Plan Update**

Williams summarized the information in the packet. The Board discussed various options for questions to be included in the survey. There was discussion on including a boat tour and Board visioning exercise in the final plan as well. There was discussion on various educational events that could be utilized for outreach opportunities. Barten will reach out to everyone to get input on their preferred outreach events. The Board was in approval of the plan as presented with the edits discussed and the LMRWMO Board Chair will provide additional input on the question finalization.

**MOTION** by O'Leary to submit the Stakeholder Engagement Plan for the LMRWMO Watershed Management Plan Update, with the revisions as discussed, to the MN Board of Water & Soil Resources, second by Sutton; motion passed.

**6. Presentation on Landscaping for Clean Water (LCW) Program**

Barten provided a presentation on the 2019 LCW program and noted plans for the 2020 program.

**7. Authorize Signatory to Execute Bank Pledge Agreements**

Barten summarized the information in the packet.

**MOTION** by Sutton to authorize a LMRWMO bank signatory to execute agreements to cancel previous collateral agreements and sign new pledged collateral agreements with Key Community Bank, second by O'Leary; motion passed.

**8. Updates**

**8.1 Grant Tracking Update**

There were no items specifically mentioned from the grant tracking spreadsheet.

**8.2 Response From Capitol Region Watershed District on Draft Plan**

The Board discussed the response received from Capital Region Watershed District regarding their plan implementation item that concerns study of portions of the LMRWMO. The Board will wait to see what the next version of the plan includes. There was also discussion on potentially beginning the process to update the LMRWMO Joint Powers Agreement well in advance of the 2023 expiration deadline.

**8.3 Other Updates / Member City Updates**

Member Cities provided updates on relevant projects in their municipalities.

**9. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

**10. Adjourn** - Meeting adjourned by Chair Lencowski at 4:50 p.m.