



MEETING MINUTES

Board of Managers Regular Meeting

April 14, 2020 - 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Held Remotely Online

Managers and Alternates in Attendance:

Sharon Lencowski, (Chair) Inver Grove Heights
Mary Jeanne Schneeman, (Sec/Tres) Mendota Heights
Michael Randle, South St. Paul
Julie Eastman, West St. Paul
Jill Smith, Mendota Heights

Karen Reid, (Vice Chair) Saint Paul
Sheila Vanney, West St. Paul
Tenzin Dolkar, Inver Grove Heights
Lyle Hanzal, Lilydale

Advisors and Others in Attendance:

Sue Polka, South St. Paul
Ryan Ruzek, Mendota Heights
Ross Beckwith, West St. Paul
Greg Williams, Barr Engineering

Krista Spreiter, Mendota Heights
Pat Murphy, St. Paul
Melissa King, State of MN, BWSR
Joe Barten, Dakota County SWCD

1. Call Meeting to Order

1.1 Public Comment / Introductions

Audience members may address the Board regarding items not on the agenda.

1.2 Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

MOTION by Schneeman to approve the agenda for the April 14th, 2021 meeting, second by Hanzal; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Schneeman, Vanney, Randle, Hanzal; motion passed.

2. Approval of the March 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Lencowski asked if there were any changes to the previous meeting minutes, there were none.

MOTION by Randle to approve the previous meeting minutes, second by Schneeman; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Schneeman, Vanney, Randle, Hanzal; motion passed.

3. Approval of April 14, 2021 Financial Summary & Invoices

Spreiter provided an overview of the finances and invoices to be paid and recommended approval.

MOTION by Hanzal to approve the financial summary and invoices to be paid, second by Reid; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Schneeman, Vanney, Randle, Hanzal; motion passed.

4. Tabled Discussion: LMRWMO Regulatory Role

Williams summarized the discussion at the previous meeting. The Board and Advisors discussed overlapping regulatory roles and how Cities manage stormwater permits and permanent stormwater BMPs. There was consensus that there is not a need for large changes to the current method of regulatory enforcement between the Cities and LMRWMO.

5. Review 2020 Annual Report and 2021 Newsletter - SWCD

Barten submitted the draft annual report and newsletter and asked for feedback on edits prior to submitting to the State Board of Water & Soil Resources.

MOTION by Sutton to authorize the LMRWMO Administrator to submit the LMRWMO 2020 annual report and 2021 newsletter, second by Schneeman; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Schneeman, Vanney, Randle, Hanzal; motion passed.

6. Review Watershed Plan Inventory

Williams summarized the information provided in the packet and asked for feedback on the draft inventory. There was discussion on how priority waters are determined and considering demographics more in prioritization.

7. Watershed Plan: Review Citizen and Technical Advisory Committees

Draft lists of the Watershed Plan Update technical and citizen advisory committees were provided for feedback from the Board and Advisors. The Public Kickoff Meeting will be held immediately before or after a future LMRWMO Board meeting.

8. Updates and Handouts

8.1 Sunfish Lake Request for Delisting

Barten noted that he is in contact and has provided information to the MN Pollution Control Agency staff regarding the potential de-listing of Sunfish Lake for its impairment for excess nutrients.

8.2 Other Updates / Member City Updates

9. Agenda Items for Next Meeting: May 12th, 2021

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned by Chair Lencowski at 4:30 pm.