

**MEETING MINUTES**

Board of Managers Regular Meeting

February 9, 2022 - 3:00 p.m.

Meeting Held Remotely Online

**Managers and Alternates in Attendance:**

Sharon Lencowski, Chair - Inver Grove Heights  
Mary Jeanne Schneeman, Mendota Heights  
Julie Eastman, West St. Paul  
Dan Halvorsen, Sunfish Lake

Karen Reid, Vice Chair - Saint Paul  
Michael Randle, South Saint Paul  
Jill Smith, Mendota Heights  
Shannon Nelson, Sunfish Lake

**Advisors and Others in Attendance:**

Tom Kaldunski, Inver Grove Heights  
Sue Polka, South St. Paul  
Pat Murphy, Saint Paul  
Laura Zanmiller, West St. Paul  
Greg Williams, Barr Engineering

Krista Spreiter, Mendota Heights  
Ryan Ruzek, Mendota Heights  
Cody Joos, West St. Paul  
Melissa King, BWSR  
Joe Barten, Dakota County SWCD

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lencowski at 3:00 pm.

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 Eastman to approve the agenda, second by Schneeman; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Randle, Eastman, Schneeman; motion passed.

**2. Approval of the January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Meeting Minutes**

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

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

**3. Approval of the February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Financial Summary & Invoices**

Spreiter summarized the information in the packet and recommended approval of the finances.

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

**4. Authorize Peterson Co. Ltd. to Perform the 2021 LMRWMO Financial Audit**

Barten noted that an annual audit is required of the organization and that Peterson Co. Ltd has performed the audit the past 5 years.

**MOTION** by Eastman to engage Peterson Co. Ltd. to perform the 2021 LMRWMO financial audit, second by Schneeman; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Randle, Eastman, Schneeman; motion passed.

**5. Authorize Execution of Agreement with Ramsey County**

Barten noted that the agreement covers two years vs. the previous one-year term.

**MOTION** by Reid to execute the agreement with Ramsey County for services, second by Lencowski; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Randle, Eastman, Schneeman, Nelson; motion passed.

**6. Review and Approve Scope of Work for Lake Augusta Feasibility Study**

Barten summarized the information in the packet and noted that the \$13,000 for water monitoring is a necessary component of the study but is not a grant reimbursable expense. He noted that with the current and anticipated year end fund balance, the LMRWMO has funds to cover the monitoring. Reid noted that she would like to discuss at a future meeting how the WMO evaluates additional requests for funding.

**MOTION** by Reid to approve the proposed scope of work and for the Board Chair to execute an agreement with Barr Engineering, to utilize \$13,000 from the WMO general fund for water monitoring, and for the Board Chair to execute a Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Mendota Heights for matching funds, second by Schneeman; Roll call approval by Lencowski, Reid, Randle, Eastman, Schneeman, Nelson; motion passed.

**7. Watershed Management Plan Update**

**7.1** Plan Update Status - Barr\* Information

**7.2** Recap of Activities Since Last Board Meeting (TAC, CAC meetings) Information

Williams noted that the Technical Advisory Committee discussed potential changes to the permanent water quality treatment performance standard, including lowering the threshold. The Board requested that the issue be presented to Member City staff and brought back to the Board.

**7.3** Board "Working Items" to Discuss Discussion

**7.4** Next Steps

An implementation table will be drafted by Barr staff, presented to the Cities for comment, and then be brought to the Board.

**8. Updates and Handouts**

**8.1 2021 Landscaping for Clean Water Summary** – Provided to Board

**8.2 2022 Landscaping for Clean Water Program Information** – Provided to Board

**8.3 Other Updates / Member City Updates**

Member City representatives provided updates on projects in their City.

**9. Agenda Items for Next Meeting: March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - Held Remotely**

**10. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned by Chair Lencowski at 4:45 pm.