



Board of Managers Meeting Minutes

Wednesday - December 14th, 2022 - 3:00 p.m.

South St. Paul Airport – Fleming Field

Managers and Alternates in Attendance:

Sharon Lencowski (Chair), Inver Grove Heights
Jill Smith, Mendota Heights
Michael Randle, South St. Paul
Tom Sutton, Lilydale
Shannon Nelson, Sunfish Lake

Karen Reid (Vice Chair), Saint Paul
Julie Eastman, West St. Paul
Daniel Anderson, South St. Paul
Lyle Hanzal, Lilydale
Dan Halvorsen, Sunfish Lake

Advisors and Others in Attendance:

Ryan Ruzek, Mendota Heights
Cody Joos, West St. Paul
Lee Elfering, South St. Paul
Joe Barten, Dakota County SWCD

Pat Murphy, Saint Paul
Paul Merchlewicz, Inver Grove Heights
Greg Williams, Barr Engineering

1. Call Meeting to Order

1.1 Public Comment / Introductions

Audience members may address the Board regarding items not on the agenda. Those present introduced themselves for the benefit of new City staff and BWSR staff in attendance.

1.2 Approval of Agenda* (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion by Eastman to approve the agenda, second by Anderson; motion passed.

2. Approve November 9th, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Sutton to approve the previous meeting minutes, second by Eastman; motion passed.

3. Approve December 14th, 2022 Financial Summary & Invoices

Ruzek provided a summary of the financial information.

Motion by Eastman to approve the financial summary, second by Sutton; motion passed.

4. Approve 2023 Meeting Schedule

Motion by Sutton to approve the proposed 2023 meeting schedule with the Administrator to finalize locations with member Cities, second by Anderson; motion passed.

5. Continuation of Metro Watershed Partners Membership for 2023

Barten summarized the benefits of membership with the Metro Watershed Partners organization and the results of the 2022 Adopt-A-Drain program in the LMRWMO.

Motion by Reid to authorize staff to distribute the revised draft Plan for final (90-day), second by Randle; motion passed.

6. Review Engineers Comments on Lilydale's Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP) Update

Williams summarized his comments to the Lilydale plan update and recommended approval by the LMRWMO.

Motion by Reid to approve the draft City of Lilydale SWMP, as revised, and direct Barr staff to prepare and send a letter to the City of Lilydale and its consultants communicating its approval and include comments provided relative to the draft 2023-2032 LMRWMO Plan, second by Sutton; motion passed.

7. Review FY-21 Watershed Based Implementation Funding SWCD/LMRWMO Work Plan

Barten summarized the information in the packet and noted that the work plan covers administrative and project management services towards the Board of Water & Soil Resources grant.

Motion by Reid to approve the workplan and authorize the LMRWMO Board Chair to execute an agreement on behalf of the LMRWMO with the Dakota County SWCD for services as described in the work plan, second by Eastman; motion passed.

8. Watershed Management Plan Update

The draft plan will go before the Board of Water & Soil Resources Central Committee on January 5th for preliminary review. Should the committee approve, it will be forwarded to the full BWSR Board for approval in late January. Barten will send the January 5th meeting information to the LMRWMO Board if any members would like to attend in person or remotely.

9. Updates & Handouts

9.1 Watershed Based Implementation Funding Convene Meeting

Barten summarized the results of the last convene meeting and informed the Board of the chosen project and alternate project as shown in the packet. Barten will work with BWSR staff to finalize project details.

10. Other Member City Updates

Member City staff provided updates on current or upcoming projects.

11. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

The next Board meeting is scheduled for January 11th, 2023 at the South St. Paul Airport

12. Meeting Adjourned at 3:45 pm