



## Board of Managers Meeting Minutes

Wednesday - June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 - 3:00 p.m.  
Mendota Heights City Hall

### Managers and Alternates in Attendance:

Sharon Lencowski (Chair), Inver Grove Heights  
Dan Halvorsen, Sunfish Lake  
Mary Kleinberg, Lilydale  
Leslie Pilgrim, Mendota Heights

Karen Reid (Vice Chair), Saint Paul  
Shannon Nelson, Sunfish Lake  
Steve Gebauer, Mendota Heights  
Daniel Anderson, South St. Paul

### Advisors and Others in Attendance:

Krista Spreiter, Mendota Heights  
Pat Murphy, Saint Paul  
Joe Barten, Dakota County SWCD

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.

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

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

### 2. Election of 2023 Secretary/Treasurer

**Motion** by Lencowski to nominate Steve Gebauer as the Secretary/Treasurer for the remainder of 2023, second by Reid, motion passed.

### 3. Approve April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Meeting Minutes

**Motion** by Reid to approve the previous meeting minutes, second by Anderson; motion passed.

### 4. Approve June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Financial Summary & Invoices

Spreiter provided a summary of the financial information.

**Motion** by Reid to approve the financial summary, second by Gebauer; motion passed.

## **5. Solicitation of Proposals for Consultant Services**

**Motion** by Reid to seek proposals for engineering, legal, and audit consulting services, as required by State Statute, via posting in the Star Tribune and St. Paul Legal Ledger legal notices, second by Kleinberg, motion passed.

## **6. Liability Waiver**

**Motion** by Reid to not waive the statutory limits on tort liability insurance through the League of MN Cities, second by Anderson; motion passed. Pilgrim asked about liability coverage for Board members and Barten will follow up with information at a later meeting.

## **7. 2022 Audit Review and Submittal to State Board of Water & Soil Resources**

**Motion** by Reid to submit the 2022 LMRWMO Financial Statements and audit to the State of MN, second by Gebauer; motion passed.

## **8. Discuss Planned Monsanto Settlement Fund Usage by Cities**

The Board discussed the potential to combine and utilize funds received from a legal settlement for PCBs from Monsanto. Funds could be used for testing of the presence of PCBs in fish tissue, water samples, or other avenues. Each City was to receive around \$17,000 in the settlement. The Board requested additional information on PCB exposure at a future meeting. Barten will seek subject matter experts for a future meeting.

## **9. Potential for Matching Funds for Interstate Valley Creek Stabilization and Volume Reduction Projects**

The Board discussed the potential to provide matching funds for the Interstate Valley Creek stabilization and stormwater project implementation grant application by the Dakota County SWCD as a project partner. The Board requested additional information on the LMRWMO end of year budget projection before making a decision on matching funds.

## **10. Updates and Handouts**

City Staff provided updates on relevant topics and projects in their City.

## **11. Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at the Mendota Heights City Hall.

## **12. Meeting Adjourned at 4:45 pm**