

Board of Managers Meeting Minutes

Wednesday - November 13th, 2024 - 3:00 p.m. Veterans Memorial Community Center, Inver Grove Heights

Managers and Alternates in Attendance:

Sharon Lencowski (Chair), Inver Grove Heights Analiese Miller, West St. Paul Steve Gebauer, Mendota Heights Daniel Anderson, South St. Paul Brian Jastram, Saint Paul Dan Halvorsen, Sunfish Lake

Tom Sutton, Lilydale Michael Randle, South St. Paul Dawn Gaetke, Inver Grove Heights Mary Kleinberg, Lilydale Leslie Pilgrim, Mendota Heights

Karen Reid (Vice-Chair), Saint Paul

Advisors and Others in Attendance:

Ryan Ruzek, Mendota Heights
Pat Murphy, Saint Paul
Paul Merchlewicz, Inver Grove Heights
Greg Wilson, Barr Engineering
Amy Anderson, WSB
Kenneth Dodge, Mendota Heights
Joe Barten, Dakota County SWCD

Lucas Richie, Mendota Heights Conor Resnikoff, South St. Paul Chris English, Inver Grove Heights Greg Williams, Barr Engineering Kitty Haight, Mendota Heights Victoria Ranua, 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 Reid to approve the agenda, second by Sutton; motion passed.

2. Approve October 9th, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Halvorsen to approve the previous meeting minutes, second by Miller; motion passed.

3. Approve November 13th, 2024 Financial Summary & Invoices

Ruzek provided a summary of the finances.

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

4. Presentation on Direct Drainage Study by WSB

Amy Anderson, Project Engineer with WSB, provided a presentation on the draft Mississippi River Direct Drainage study, process, identified projects and pollutant reductions, and requested any suggested edits be provided to the LMRWMO Administrator by November 22nd.

5. Presentation on Lake Augusta Water Quality Improvement and Outlet Feasibility Study and FAQs

Greg Wilson, Sr. Water Resources Engineer from Barr Engineering, provided a presentation on the results of the Lake Augusta feasibility study. He summarized the frequently asked document that was created as an addendum to the study, in response to a number of resident concerns with the lake and future implementation efforts.

6. Updates & Handouts

Seidls Lake Shoreline Restoration: Barten provided an update on the project noting that the native seeding is the primary restoration component remaining. The contractor is hoping to get into the site for restoration before the site freezes up. If not, restoration will occur in the spring.

Interstate Valley Creek Stormwater BMPs: Barten provided an update on the Interstate Valley Creek stormwater BMP and streambank stabilization project. The final plans are included in the packet and the bid was awarded to Fitzgerald Excavating and Trucking, Inc. to install the projects. Construction will begin in December and is expected to occur primarily during the winter of 2024-2025, with follow-up restoration work in summer of 2025.

Member City Updates: City Advisors and Members provided updates on relevant projects in their cities.

7. Adjournment and Next Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 with the next Board meeting scheduled for December 11th, 2024 at The Wellstone Center in Saint Paul.