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LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION

Board of Managers Meeting Minutes

Wednesday - January 14th, 2026 - 3:00 p.m.
Veterans Memorial Community Center, Inver Grove Heights

Managers and Alternates in Attendance:

Sharon Lencowski (Chair) Inver Grove Heights
Steve Gebauer (Sec/Tres), Mendota Heights
Tom Sutton, Lilydale
Brian Jastram, Saint Paul
Daniel Anderson, South St. Paul
Analiese Miller (Vice-Chair), West St. Paul
Karen Reid, Saint Paul
Mary Kleinberg, Lilydale
Dan Halvorsen, Sunfish Lake

Advisors and Others in Attendance:

Krista Spreiter, Mendota Heights
Pat Murphy, Saint Paul
Chris English, Inver Grove Heights
Greg Williams, Barr Engineering
Jess Hall, West St. Paul
Greg Genz, Friend of Pool 2
Conor Resnikoff, South St. Paul
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 Gebauer to approve the meeting agenda, second by Miller; motion passed.

2. Election of Officers

Lencowski as Chair, Miller as Vice-Chair, and Gebauer as Secretary/Treasurer were all nominated by the floor by Reid. There were no further nominations.

Motion by Reid to election the Lencowski as the Board Chair, Miller as Vice-Chair, and Gebauer as Secretary/Treasurer, second by Halvorsen; motion passed.

3. Approve December 10th, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Sutton noted that his name was missing as making the motion on agenda item #5.

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

4. Approve January 14th, 2026 Financial Summary & Invoices

Lencowski asked that the check numbers be verified for future meetings as they appear to be off.

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

5. Concord Street Ravine Assessment Proposal

Barten provided a presentation on the concord street ravine, railroad culvert, and Gisch pond area in Inver Grove Heights. The City has prioritized this area for improvements given erosion and sedimentation issues and it's proximity to the Mississippi River. The Board discussed the history of issues in this area, land ownership, what a future project and grants could look like, and the impact on the Mississippi River. City of Inver Grove Heights staff, Chris English, provided additional project background on the issues in this area. The Board discussed the proposal by WSB to study the upper area of ravine erosion and incorporate that study into the Direct Drainage study as an appendix.

Motion by Sutton to approve the proposal by WSB for the ravine assessment and authorize the Board officers to execute an agreement with WSB to perform the work, second by Miller; motion passed.

Barr staff were asked to provide a scope of work for an updated assessment of the culvert under the railroad for consideration by the WMO Board at a future meeting. The last assessment was completed in 2016-2017 and new information could inform the extent of further deterioration of the culvert.

6. Member City Updates

Advisors and Members provided updates on relevant projects in their cities.

7. Adjournment & Next Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm. The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2026 at the Veterans Memorial Community Center in Inver Grove Heights.