LMRWMO
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION

Board of Managers Meeting Minutes

Wednesday - May 13th, 2026 - 3:00 p.m.
West St. Paul Municipal Center/City Hall
1616 Humboldt Ave West St. Paul, MN 55118

Managers and Alternates in Attendance:

Sharon Lencowski (Chair) Inver Grove Heights
Leslie Pilgrim, Mendota Heights
Mary Kleinberg, Lilydale
Judd Dudgeon, Inver Grove Heights
Shane Bredy, South St. Paul
Steve Gebauer (Sec/Tres), Mendota Heights
Tom Sutton, Lilydale
Brian Jastram, Saint Paul
Daniel Anderson, South St. Paul

Advisors and Others in Attendance:

Krista Spreiter, Mendota Heights
Brady Zeug, Saint Paul
Conor Resnikoff, South St. Paul
Greg Williams, Barr Engineering
Pat Murphy, Saint Paul
Chris English, Inver Grove Heights
Jess Hall, West 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 Anderson; motion passed.

2. Approve April 8th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

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

3. Approve May 13th, 2026 Financial Summary & Invoices

Spreiter summarized the information in the packet.

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

4. Liability Waiver

Pilgrim asked that the Administrator verify with the LMRWMO legal counsel or insurance provider that the liability coverage extends to each Board member.

Motion by Anderson to not waive the liability limits for insurance and for the Administrator to submit the waiver to the insurance provider, second by Sutton; motion passed.

5. Ivy Falls Request for Proposals

Barten provided the draft Request for Proposals (RFP) to study Ivy Falls Creek. He asked for Board feedback on the RFP process to solicit proposals, the opportunity to go directly to a consultant vs. obtaining proposals from multiple consultants, as well as any feedback on the content of the RFP prior to finalization.

Gebauer noted that with failed walls, geo-technical investigation may be helpful to include. Spreiter noted that the wooden weirs are failing but the gabion walls are generally in good condition and Barten added that they will also be assessed for longevity and any need for repairs. Pilgrim asked if additional water monitoring could be done, and Barten replied that monitoring is outside the scope for this grant but the WMO could do more on their own or possibly as part of future grant funded contaminant monitoring. Williams mentioned the Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program (WOMP) monitoring parameters could also be considered for future water testing. Pilgrim asked that a presentation of the report be included as a deliverable in the RFP.

Motion by Anderson to approve the Ivy Falls Creek Request for Proposals with edits as discussed and finalization by the Administrator and to send out to three qualified consultants, second by Gebauer; motion passed.

6. Updates & Handouts

6.1 Annual Report: The completed 2025 LMRWMO Annual Report is included in the packet for information.

6.2 Storm Drain Stenciling Materials: There are stenciling kits available to member Cities to use. Please contact the Administrator if you would like to host one or use one.

6.3 Board Member/Alternate Updates: Kleinberg mentioned an event hosted by Lilydale on May 29th at the Pool & Yacht club discussing the history of historic Lilydale, near the river in now Lilydale Park. Pilgrim mentioned a raingarden project at Two Rivers High School and noted that the Dakota SWCD has funding for voluntary projects such as that.

6.4 City Advisor Updates: City staff provided updates on relevant projects in their Cities. William noted that Saint Paul staff asked about LMRWMO requirements from the most recent plan update and suggested that Barr could create a summary or "cheat sheet" of relevant requirements for the LMRWMO. The Board generally agreed for Barr to undertake that work.

7. Adjournment & Next Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm. The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 10th, 2026 at the West St. Paul Municipal Center/City Hall.