

Regular Meeting
South Washington Watershed District
Tuesday July 12, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Woodbury Public Works Building
2301 Tower Drive, Woodbury, MN 55125

1. Call to Order

Manager Lavold called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Agenda item#9-Resolution 2016-007 was added.

Roll Call:

Jack Lavold-President
Brian Johnson-Vice President
Don Pereira-Secretary

Staff:

Matt Moore, Administrator
John Loomis, Water Resources Specialist
Andy Schilling, BMP Specialist
Melissa Imse, Office Manager
Jack Clinton, Attorney

Others:

Ken Brittain-Citizens Advisory Committee

2. Open Forum

None

3. Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda include: June 14, 2016 Regular Board meeting minutes, June Treasurers Report: accounts payable \$104,726.47, receivables \$1,175.71, fund balance \$13,892,231.85, 4M fund balance \$13,650,767.43, Calendar Events, Development Reviews, Wetland Conservation Act Notices and Decisions, Cost Share Applications and Payments, and Miscellaneous Correspondence. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to accept the consent agenda. Manager Pereira seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Manager's Report

- **Manager Lavold-** No report.
- **Manager Johnson-** Manager Johnson reported that he attended the Watershed Partners boat tour.
- **Manager Pereira-** Manager Pereira reported that the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources released the new buffers map.

5. Administrator Report

- **SWWD Project Updates.** Included in the board packet project updates on: SWWD Watershed Overflow, Grey Cloud Slough, Trout Brook, Woodbury Roadway Reconstruction Coordination, Conservation Corridor, and BMP Design work, Watershed Management Plan and website updates.
- **Central Greenway Regional Trail Plan and Cottage Grove Regional Park Master Plan.** On June 28th the Washington County Board of Commissioners approved the Master Plans for the Central Greenway Regional Trail and the

Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park. Both plans have been sent to the Metropolitan Council for review. Approval of the plans should occur over the next two months. Staff will work with Washington County Staff to respond to comments provided by Metropolitan Council on the Ravine Park Stabilization and Outlet Concept Design.

- 1 Watershed 1 Plan. The Local Government Water Roundtable advisory committee has completed work on developing a funding policy to allow funding of the plan on a watershed basis. The primary objective of the funding policy is to provide predictable funding to local governments managing water resources on a watershed scale. A big question was funding in the 7-county metro area. The proposal for this is to fund watershed management at a WMO scale through the Soil and Water Conservation Districts. The proposal seeks to acquire at least 60% of clean water funds available the remaining 40% would remain under the recommendations of the Clean Water Council. All three of the Local Government Associations have endorsed the policy. The Roundtable will take up the recommendation in July.
- City of Woodbury CDP85/86 Easement. The City of Woodbury has requested the SWWD, Washington County and the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) vacate a portion of the Conservation Easement on the CD-P86 property. The City will be constructing a road connecting neighborhoods on either side of CD-P86. Approximately one-third of an acre is required for the road. Both Washington County and the LCCMR will need to approve the action as well. The City will be required to pay back the LCCMR for the loss of the easement. Mr. Clinton is working with City legal counsel to draft the necessary documents.
- Ravine Park Vegetation Management. The Cottage Grove Ravine Park (CGRP) Vegetation project scope includes two work tasks: The first task is Vegetation Management in the North Area. This involves conducting a first phase of vegetation management (~20 ac); invasive shrub/brush removal for the remainder of the 100-yr floodplain comprising the lower half of the Central Draw Overflow project activity within the CGRP. The second task is providing year 1 maintenance for the South Area (~20 ac) clearing of invasive shrub and brush in early 2016. Quotes for the project will be solicited and brought to the August board meeting for approval.

6. SWWD Watershed Management Plan Public Hearing

- Manager Lavold suspended the regular meeting and opened the SWWD Watershed Management Plan Public Hearing. Ken Brittain from the SWWD Citizens Advisory Committee was present, and commented on the great job by Staff to complete the new SWWD Watershed Management Plan. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to keep the SWWD Watershed Management Plan Hearing open in order to receive comments until the August 8 2016 SWWD Board meeting. Manager Pereira seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

7. 2017 Draft Budget

- The managers reviewed the 2017 2nd draft budget. Administrator Moore will be refining the budget for the budget public hearing at the August 8th board meeting. The preliminary budget must be certified to Washington County by September 15th.

8. Lower East Ravine Stabilization Final Payment to Rachel Contracting

- Rachel Contracting has completed all tasks of the final punch list and the project is considered to be complete. All closeout documents have been received and checked for accuracy. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve final payment in the amount of \$34,830.80 to Rachel Contracting for the Lower East Ravine Stabilization project. Manager Pereira seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Resolution 2016-007, Fund Transfer

- Resolution 2016-007 authorizes the South Washington Watershed District to transfer amounts from the Stormwater Management fund to the Water Quality fund for the 2016 East Mississippi and Lower St. Croix Sub-Watershed Management areas to align with the SWWD 2016 budget. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve Resolution 2016-007 Fund Transfer of \$1,815,109.00 from the Stormwater Management fund(2) for the East Mississippi and Lower St. Croix management area to the Water Quality fund(3). Manager Pereira seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Adjourn

- The next regular Board Meeting will be held on Monday, August 8th at 7:00 pm. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Manager Pereira seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa Imse, Office Manager

Approved By:

Mr. Don Pereira, Secretary

Date