

Regular Meeting
South Washington Watershed District
Tuesday February 12, 2013
7:00 p.m.
Woodbury Public Works Building
2301 Tower Drive, Woodbury, MN

1. Call to Order

Manager Lavold called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Correction made to the Consent Calendar-The City of Woodbury meeting has been changed to May 15, 2013.
Agenda set per Manager Lavold

Roll Call:

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

Staff:

Matt Moore, SWWD Administrator
John Loomis, SWWD Water Resources Specialist
Melissa Imse, SWWD Administrative Assistant

Others:

Judy Spooner, South Washington County Bulletin

2. Open Forum

None.

3. Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda include: January 15, 2013 Regular Board meeting minutes, January 17, 2013 SWWD Planning Session minutes, January Treasurer's Report: Washington County Final Tax Settlement \$43,113.78, HLB Taughes Redpath 2012 Audit Engagement Letter, 2012 Clean Water Grant Reporting, accounts payable \$1,112,559.65, Debt Service payments \$658,210.00, receivables \$120,208.50, 4M fund balance \$16,379,253.58 2011 GO Bond Balance \$1,509,943.16, Calendar Events, Development Reviews, WCA Reviews, Cost Share Payments, and Miscellaneous Correspondence. Motion was made by Manager Johnson to accept the consent agenda. Manager Hanna seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Manager's Report

- **Manager Lavold-** Manager Lavold thanked the SWWD Staff on a job well done for the planning session in January.
- **Manager Johnson-** No report.

- **Manager Hanna-** Manager Hanna reported that he attended the Washington County Workshop for the Grey Cloud Island Slough project. Manager Hanna reported that Washington County Commissioner Lehrke was supportive of his re-appointment to the SWWD Board.
- **Manager Pereira-** Manager Pereira reported that he will be attending a watershed research symposium in March.

5. Administrator Report

- **SWWD Project Updates.** Administrator Moore included in the board packet project updates on:

SWWD Watershed Overflow:

The County and the SWWD continue to move forward with ROW acquisition. HDR Engineering has submitted 100% set of plans to the County and the SWWD. The plans have also been submitted to the State for State Aid Review on the roadway. The SWWD is working with the developers in Cottage Grove on a grading plan for CD-P86 south. The developers need the material and we anticipate allowing them to get it from CD-P86 south in exchange for a pond. The goal is to create a symbiotic plan that provides flood control, stormwater management, and park and open space. The EAW decision is included in this Board packet indicating no need for an EIS. The County is working on the cooperative agreement and the Board should check their February calendar for availability on the 26th.

Clear Channel Pond:

Project design concepts have been presented to the SWWD, City of Cottage Grove, Washington County and MNDOT. SWWD staff will schedule a meeting with property owners and then a neighborhood meeting with Cottage Grove. The project remains on schedule for construction this year.

Grey Cloud Island Slough

Staff continues to work with County staff to implement the project. A County Board workshop is planned for February 12, 2013. In working with County staff, we have targeted 2014 for construction. Additional update will be given at the Board meeting.

Newport Ravine:

Final payment for the project has been processed.

Trout Brook:

SWWD secured a FY 2012 Clean Water Fund grant for installation of priority BMPs throughout the Trout Brook watershed which were identified through WCD's Top50P! project. WCD outreach for the projects is underway and concept plans are in development.

SWWD has completed a retrofit scoping/feasibility study for the Afton Alps ski area. The study identifies several options for restoring habitat in Trout Brook and reducing sediment and phosphorus export to Trout Brook and Lake St.

Croix. After reviewing the plan, MnDNR is engaged and excited to develop a partnership with SWWD and Afton Alps Ski Area and pursue a larger scale stream restoration project than SWWD would be able to accomplish on its own.

Colby Lake Neighborhood Retrofit CWF:

SWWD secured a FY2012 Clean Water Fund grant for its Colby Lake Neighborhood Retrofit project. The project will result in installation of 25 curb cut raingardens in the Colby 1st Addition. The project is expected to remove approximately 100 lbs of phosphorus from the existing system and reduce annual delivered to Colby Lake by over 10 lbs. Installation is underway. Construction of the 11 fall project sites is complete and the contractor has wrapped up work for the fall. 12 additional sites will be constructed in the spring following utility relocation. Homeowners are responsible for planting the gardens with plants provided by SWWD. SWWD has expended the first 50% of the CWF grant and will submit a request to the State for the subsequent 40% grant disbursement. The final 10% of grant funding is distributed upon project completion.

Powers Lake Water Quality:

Houston Engineering, Inc has prepared an estimate to prepare and implement an alum treatment at Powers Lake. The City of Woodbury has indicated an interest in pursuing the alum treatment in cooperation with SWWD. Staff will continue to work with City staff to explore options.

80th Street Drainage Improvements:

Work on this project is suspended for the winter. The box culvert is installed with temporary safety and erosion control. 80th street is open for the winter and grading will resume in the spring.

Colby Lake Water Re-Use

SWWD, working in partnership with the City of Woodbury and Washington County, has secured a Clean Water Land and Legacy Grant to fund construction of water re-use systems at Eagle Valley and Prestwick Golf Courses. Staff has completed the grant work plan and the grant agreement is on the February agenda for Board approval. Staff is also working on an agreement with Washington County and City of Woodbury to implement the project. Work on the two systems is expected to begin in 2013. When the two systems are completed, the immediate watershed load reduction necessary to restore Colby Lake will be met. Additional work will still be required upstream (Wilmes Lake) and in-lake.

- 2013 Coordinated Capital Improvement Program. The Managers reviewed the 2013 CCIP program information and application. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve the 2013 CCIP program. Manager Hanna seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- Annual City and Township Meetings. The Managers reviewed the City and Township meeting schedule for 2013. Administrator Moore reported that

the City of Woodbury would like to schedule a workshop meeting with SWWD on May 15, 2013.

- March Board Meeting Date. Due to the Grey Cloud Island Township meeting on Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00pm, the SWWD March Board meeting will have to be re-scheduled for either 6:00 pm on March 12, or Thursday, March 14, 2013. Staff will send the Managers a meeting request.
- MAWD Legislative Reception. The MAWD Legislative Reception is March 13 from 5-7pm. Representatives Kieffer, McNamara, and Schoen plan to attend. Senator Kent would like to meet with SWWD Managers on March 14.
- MAWD Dues. The 2013 MAWD dues for SWWD are \$3,500.00. A motion was made by Manager Hanna to approve the 2013 MAWD dues of \$3,500.00. Manager Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- Laboratory Update. Staff has reviewed QA/QC procedures in place for SWWD's Water Monitoring program. Water samples and data go through QA/QC at multiple levels—Washington WCD routinely submits split and blank samples for QC and reviews all reported data for QA, Met Council Environmental Services utilizes split samples, spike samples, an blank samples in their lab for QC and reviews all data at multiple staff levels for QA. Staff is confident that QA/QC measures in place at multiple levels are adequate to ensure accuracy of our reported data although it does increase reporting time.
- Water Consortium Regulation and Permitting Rules. This Washington County water consortium is requesting direction with regard to the findings of the regulations and permitting workgroup. The three options discussed with the water consortium at the November meeting are listed below.
 - Option 1 – Simply accept the Stormwater Rules/Regulation Matrix (attached as the WD Rule Comparison document) as a working document that will be shared with all consortium members to inform them as they choose to update and revise their current rules and regulations.
 - Option 2 – Accept the Stormwater Rules/Regulation Matrix and direct a new Workgroup to develop suggestions for uniform thresholds for rule applicability or triggers, sequencing, and exceptions for the rule areas that are included in that document. Suggestions for uniform definitions would also be a product of this option. As with Option 1, the final product would be shared with consortium members to inform future rule updates.
 - Option 3 – Accept the Stormwater Rules/Regulation Matrix and direct a new Workgroup to develop a formal process to guide the development and acceptance of formal recommendations on uniform administrative rule/regulation language that would then be adopted by the consortium and Washington County and forwarded to water management authorities that have jurisdiction in the county.

After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve option 2. Manager Hanna seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- MN Department of Agriculture Land Request. The Department of Ag has made a request for available property immigrant farmers to either lease or purchase this coming year. At this time all of the SWWD property is currently leased for farming or has been planted for prairie restoration. Other portions of the SWWD property will be graded for stormwater/flood control projects this summer. The SWWD will keep the request in mind if land becomes available.

6. Environmental Assessment Worksheet

- The Managers reviewed the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Resolution #2013-002 for the Central Draw Storage Facility Overflow. At this time the SWWD is separating the currently proposed project from subsequent project phases of the overflow. The current project phase (PHASE I) will be that portion along and parallel to CSAH 22 in coordination with Washington County and the City of Cottage Grove. The SWWD is committing to further environmental review for future project phases. This will provide an adequate window of time to discuss specific mitigation efforts. Staff is recommending that there is no need for the completion of an EIS on PHASE I of the Central Draw Storage Facility Overflow. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Hanna to approve the EAW Findings of Fact, Conclusion, and Resolution #2013-002 with suggested edits provided by Attorney Jack Clinton. Manager Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Staff will notify the EQB of the decision and post the information on the SWWD website.

7. 2013 BMP Cost Share Program

- The Managers reviewed the 2013 BMP Cost Share program guidelines. The BMP Cost Share budget for 2013 is \$70,000.00. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Hanna to approve the 2013 BMP Cost Share program and budget. Manager Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

8. 2013 Clean Water Fund Grant Agreement

- SWWD, working in partnership with the City of Woodbury and Washington County, has secured a Clean Water Land and Legacy Grant to fund construction of water re-use systems at Eagle Valley and Prestwick Golf Courses. Work on the two systems is expected to begin in 2013. When the two systems are completed, the immediate watershed load reduction necessary to restore Colby Lake will be met. Additional work will still be required upstream (Wilmes Lake) and in-lake. After review and discussion, a motion to approve the 2013 Clean Water Fund Grant Agreement was made by Manager Johnson and seconded by Manager Hanna. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Adjourn

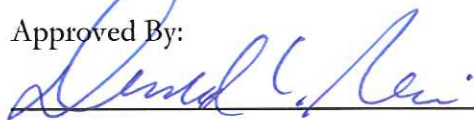
- The next regular Board Meeting is to be determined. A motion was made by Manger Johnson to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. Manger Pereira seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa Imse, Administrative Assistant

Approved By:



Mr. Donald Pereira, Secretary

4/9/13

Date