Regular Meeting

South Washington Watershed District Tuesday February 14, 2017 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.

Roll Call:

Jack Lavold-President
Brian Johnson-Vice President
Kevin ChapdeLaine-Vice President
Don Pereira-Secretary
Mike Madigan-Treasurer

Staff:

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

Others:

Susan Winsor, Afton Natural Resources and Groundwater Committee

2. Open Forum

Susan Winsor was present to inquire about the Joe Bush Development in Afton.

3. Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda include: January 10, 2017 Regular Board meeting minutes, January 31, 2017 Special meeting minutes, January Treasurers Report: accounts payable \$1,007,346.05, accounts receivable \$77,946.38, fund balance \$15,932,881.97, 4M fund balance \$16,665,014.10, Washington County Final 2016 Tax Settlement \$43,700.40, Calendar Events, Development Reviews, Wetland Conservation Act Annual Report and Notices and Decisions, Cost Share Applications, and Miscellaneous Correspondence. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to accept the consent agenda. Manager Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Manager's Report

- Manager Lavold- Manager Lavold reported that he attended the City of Oakdale City Council meeting.
- Manager Johnson- Manager Johnson reported that he attended the Woodbury Commission Breakfast, the joint meeting with Cottage Grove and Woodbury, and the City of Oakdale City Council meeting.
- Manager Pereira- None
- Manager ChapdeLaine- None
- Manager Madigan- None

5. Administrator Report

- SWWD Project Updates. Included in the board packet project updates on: SWWD Watershed Overflow, Grey Cloud Slough, Trout Brook, Conservation Corridor, Greenway Vision and Plan, BMP Design work, and East Mississippi Modeling and Retrofit Analysis.
- Annual City/Township Meetings. An update of the scheduled City and Township meetings was included in the board packet.
- MAWD Legislative Breakfast. The MAWD Legislative Breakfast and Day at the Capitol is Wednesday March 29 and Thursday March 30, 2017. The Board agreed by consensus to authorize attendance for managers and staff to the MAWD Legislative Breakfast and Day at the Capitol.
- The SWWD Regular March Board Meeting. To provide attendance at the Grey Cloud Township Annual Meeting, the SWWD Regular March Board meeting will begin at 6:00pm.
- MAWD Bylaws. The Minnesota Association of Watershed District (MAWD) needs to amend their bylaws planned for a special membership meeting at the summer tour. A vote to change the bylaws requires a majority of the entire MAWD membership to be present at the summer tour. Before this can happen, at least 15 watershed districts need to request the meeting. The managers reviewed the amendment section of the MAWD Bylaws and draft letter requesting a special membership meeting. The Board authorized Staff to send the letter on behalf of the SWWD Board.
- Overflow meeting with the Cities of Cottage Grove and Woodbury. The SWWD attended the February 9, 2017 joint council meeting of the Cities of Cottage Grove and Woodbury. The SWWD advised the Cities of the steps to substantially complete the project by January 1, 2020, estimated cost to complete the project by that date, and the risks and additional costs that would likely be incurred if the completion date is extended. The SWWD does not take any position on the issue of whether the completion date should be delayed. However, unless all parties agree to a written amendment to the agreement with an alternate completion date, we will proceed to take all necessary steps to honor our contractual commitment to complete the project by January 1, 2020. The Cities and the SWWD agree that construction of the CDO Project, in particular Phase V, will be postponed until development opportunities occur in the East Ravine Neighborhood 2. The SWWD Board directed staff to draft a letter to facilitate the amendment of the agreement by all parties. The SWWD requests the Cities of Cottage Grove and Woodbury provide a list of primary requirements to be included in the amendment by March 3, 2017. The primary requirements will be compiled into a draft amendment and circulated for comment. Once the amendment is agreed upon for signature, the SWWD Staff will seek approvals from all parties signatory to the agreement. The amendment should be completed by May 31, 2017.

6. SWWD Fund Balance Reallocation, Resolution #2017-003

 Approval of the updated SWWD Watershed Management Plan in October 2016 requires the 2016 account and fund balances to be reallocated to align with the current long range work plan. The managers reviewed the fund transfers to align the budget and work plan with the Watershed Management Plan in Resolution #2017-003. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve Resolution #2017-003. Manager ChapdeLaine seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

7. 2017 Coordinated Capital Improvement Program

• The Managers reviewed the 2017 CCIP program information and application. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve the 2017 CCIP program with a budget of up to \$500,000.00. Manager ChapdeLaine seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Metro Watershed Partners Contribution

 SWWD received a request for financial contribution for Metro Watershed Partners. The SWWD has supported this effort every year. A motion was made by Manager Madigan to approve 2017 Metro Watershed Partners contribution of \$2500.00. Manager Johnson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Lower East Ravine Ecological Work Agreement

• The Friends of the Mississippi River continues to work with 3M at the Cottage Grove Facility to manage ecological areas on the property. Coordination with the Friends of the Mississippi River will provide management of areas within the CDSF Overflow Phase II project. The managers reviewed the agreement with the Friends of the Mississippi River. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve the Lower East Ravine ecological work agreement with the Friends of the Mississippi River for up to \$10,400.00. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Schilling Wetland Agreement with the City of Woodbury

• The managers reviewed the cooperative agreement with the City of Woodbury to provide cost participation for the wetland restoration and management located on the former Schilling property. This wetland is a unique opportunity to assist the City with maintaining type 2/3 peat wetland. The City is taking an easement on the property and will management project with cost participation from the developer, City and the SWWD. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve the Schilling Wetland agreement with the City of Woodbury for up to \$15,132.50. Manager ChapdeLaine seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Minnesota Stormwater Research Council Funding Request

• The Minnesota Stormwater Research Council is a partnership between local government, state agencies and the University of Minnesota. The goal is to provide research of stormwater BMP's and deliver to local practitioners actual BMP performance results. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Madigan to approve funding support for the Minnesota Stormwater Research Council for up to \$10,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

12. DR Horton Grayson Meadows

• DR Horton has purchased the Goebel property adjacent to SWWD property used for the Central Draw Storage Facility. The property is south of Military Road and North of 70th Street in Cottage Grove. Along with termination of

the SWWD flowage easement, DR Horton is requesting a temporary easement for construction access from Military Road across SWWD property. The easement will be located in the area of future Ravine Parkway and expires December 31, 2018. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve the termination of the SWWD flowage easement and to approve the temporary easement for construction access from Military Road across SWWD property. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Residential Irrigation Controller Program

• The City of Woodbury has provided a summary of the work done with groundwater conservation as it relates to irrigation. The City wishes to continue and expand their residential irrigation program to convert controllers to smart controllers. Analysis of the pilot program indicates significant water savings. For the 2017 residential irrigation program, the City is requesting \$10,000.00 from SWWD to be matched by the City. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Johnson to approve the cooperative agreement with the City of Woodbury and the 2017 funding for the program of \$10,000.00. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Adjourn

• The next regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 14th at 6:00 pm. A motion was made by Manager Johnson to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Melissa Imse, Office Manager

Mr. Don Pereira, Secretary

Date

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