



PRIOR LAKE SPRING LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday June 8, 2021

Prior Lake City Hall

6:00 PM

BOARD OF MANAGERS:

Mike Myser, President; Curt Hennes, Vice President; Bruce Loney, Treasurer
Steve Pany, Secretary and Frank Boyles, Manager

Members Present: Mike Myser, Curt Hennes, Bruce Loney, Steve Pany, Frank Boyles

Staff & Consultants Present: Joni Giese, District Administrator
Maggie Karschnia, Water Resources Project Manager
Jaime Rockney, Water Resources Specialist
Carl Almer, EOR, District Engineer

Others Present: Andy Berg, Abdo, Eick & Meyers
Lisa Quinn, Spring Lake Township
Maureen Reeder, Citizens Advisory Committee
Jim Weninger, Citizens Advisory Committee

1.0 CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Meeting called to order by President Myser at 6:00 P.M.

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Manager Loney moved to approve the agenda. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0.

4.0 OTHER OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

4.1 Programs & Projects Update:

Jamie Rockney reported that the outlet structure water level is at 902.35. Boat inspections are being done at Spring, Lower and Upper Prior Lakes funded by the PLSLWD. Inspections to prevent AIS started in May. 1,256 inspections have been done. The I-LIDS inspection system is in operation at Spring Lake. 279 launch videos were reviewed in May. Manager Hennes asked about the position of the I-LIDS camera. Is it in the best position? Jaime said it is being evaluated at this time. Manager Pany asked if inspections are being done at Fish Lake? Jaime replied yes there will be some inspections at Fish Lake this summer on a few weekends.

Jamie Rockney shared information on the difference between filamentous algae and blue-green algae. Maggie Karschnia reported that the biocontrol method of Blue Gill stocking was done in three locations. Carp espionage is working well with volunteers. Carp management strategies of track, block, and reduce are being used to try to reduce the carp population. Push and Newman Spawning Traps are being used to remove carp. Electro fishing is being done with good results on Spring Lake. 6,000 pounds of carp were removed in May from Crystal Bay at Upper Prior Lake using electro fishing. An Education and Outreach Presentation titled, "How Healthy is My Wetland?" was done with Twin Oaks Middle School 7th graders and was well received. Sutton Lake Project will be receiving some rocks that will provide better access for landowners. The Spring Lake West Project is being investigated and researched.

4.2 Approval 2020 Annual Financial Audit Acceptance: Andy Berg, Abdo, Eick & Meyers

No significant concerns were expressed in this year's audit. Manager Boyles moved to approve the 2020 Annual Financial Audit. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0.

4.3 2020 Water Quality Report Cards: Spring Lake and Upper Prior Lake

Jaime Rockney reported on the updated the Water Quality Monitoring Report Cards for Spring and Upper Prior Lakes. Water quality is improving, there are more aquatic plants. Native aquatic plants are very good for lakes. They consume phosphorous and improve water quality.

4.4 Watershed Management Study: Draft Project Charter

Administrator Giese stated the study is moving forward. More meetings are coming up soon.

4.5 Draft CAC Project Definition & Process Template:

Administrator Giese stated that the template is being developed in order to better align communication between the CAC and Board of Managers to ensure CAC activities are in alignment with Manager's priorities. CAC volunteer time and skills should be used wisely.

4.6 Lake Vegetation Policy:

Administrator Giese recommended developing a lake vegetation policy. Managers directed staff to develop a draft of the policy for Board review.

4.7 Manager Presentations & Liaison Updates:

None.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA:

Manager Pany requested Item 5.2, May 11 meeting minutes be removed from the consent agenda. Manager Myser motioned to remove 5.2 from the Consent Agenda, seconded by Steve Pany. All Ayes. Passed 5-0. Manager Loney moved to approve the amended Consent Agenda. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0.

Manager Pany recommended editing Section 4.2 of the May 11 meeting minutes to state that Manager Loney moved to approve Maureen Reeder to the CAC. Manager Pany moved to approve the amended 5.2 section of the Consent Agenda. Second by Manager Loney. All Ayes. Passed 5-0.

- 5.1 Meeting Minutes— May 11 Board Workshop
- 5.2 Meeting Minutes—May 11 Board Meeting
- 5.3 Meeting Minutes—May 27 CAC Meeting
- 5.4 Claims list

6.0 TREASURER’S REPORT:

6.1 Financial Reports Update:

New and better reports are being developed with CLA. Manager Loney, Myser and Administrator Giese met with CLA to develop an approach for improving the financial reports. Revised reports will provide better information regarding, such as cash flow, cash status, revenue sources, and investments. Select reports will be prepared on either a monthly, quarterly, or annual basis.

6.2 Financial Report:

6.3 Treasurers Report:

Treasurer / Manager Loney reported that the Watershed District finances are in good order at this time.

7.0 UPCOMING MEETING/EVENT SCHEDULE:

All open to the public:

CAC Meeting, Thursday, June 24 at City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Board of Managers retreat Saturday, June 19 at City Hall Parkview 9:00 a.m.

Board of Managers and CAC joint meeting Thursday July 29th at Parkview 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Manager Hennes moved to adjourn meeting. Second by Manager Pany. All Ayes. Motion Passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

Steve Pany, District Secretary

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