



PRIOR LAKE SPRING LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday February 15, 2022

Prior Lake City Hall

6:00 PM

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

Staff & Consultants Present:

Joni Giese, District Administrator
Jeff Anderson, Water Resources Coordinator
Jaime Rockney, Water Resources Project Manager
Shauna Capron, Water Resources Specialist
Elizabeth Froden, Water Resources Assistant
Carl Almer, EOR, District Engineer

Others Present:

Zack Braid, City Council Prior Lake
Josh Accola, Stantec Corp.
Jim Fitzsimmons, SWCD
Wes Steffan, President Spring Lake Association
Ben Burnett, CAC

1.0 CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Meeting called to order by President Myser at 6:04 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:**

Carp Management Update and Approach for 2022

Jeff Anderson reports that at this time, for Upper Prior Lake, five of six factors for a successful carp seine event are favorable. For Spring Lake, 4 of 6 factors are favorable.

The factors are carp location, aggregation, ice thickness, weather, commercial netters availability, and fish market. Carp are not in a favorable aggregated location based on the carp that are radio tagged. The historical movement of carp this time of year may indicate that the carp are moving to the desired carp seining areas. Gill net carp removal is also an option. Manager Pany asked what is the process of reaching a “go” to sein carp? Who makes the call - WSB, commercial netters, PLSLWD, or a collaboration? Jeff replied that it is a collaboration. Manager Hennes asked about a log removal from the preferred carp seining area of NE Spring Lake. Jeff Anderson stated the log, which can disrupt the netting of carp, was removed by a commercial netter.

Upper Watershed Updates

Jaime Rockney reports that Sutton Lake Iron Enhanced Sand Filter Feasibility report is being finalized. A status update of the 6 Upper Watershed Blueprint projects was presented. A Sutton Lake Management Plan is being drafted. Requests for proposals to assess the ferric chloride system will be solicited in the near future.

Prior Lake Outlet Channel Project Updates

Repairs to the Prior Lake Outlet Channel continue. These are locations that were not funded through the FEMA grant repairs. Work has started on removing accumulated sediment from a section of the channel just prior to Dean Lake. This portion of the channel was intentionally designed to collect sediment, so this is really expected maintenance activity.

Growing Healthy Soils Event

Part One of the Growing Healthy Soils event was held in January. There were over 60 attendees with favorable review comments received from attendees. Part Two will be held on March 16.

Conservation Easements Status Updates

Shauna Capron presented a Conservation Easements update and a conservation easement workflow chart. All 45 easements were inspected in 2021. Included are 184 unique land owners. 65% of easements are in compliance and the goal is a 90% compliance rate. A timeline worksheet for new conservation easements is being developed. This will create better coordination with Scott County for the permitting process. Manager Boyles asked if this process is being shared with other local government units. Administrator Giese said that yes it can be shared.

- **4.2 I-LIDS Pilot Project Renewal for 2022.**

The CAC is recommending that this project continue for 2022. The CAC recommendation also includes have the consultant review all the recorded videos, adding a concrete footing to reduce vibrations that trigger false recordings, and including a QR code of the sign to direct people to an educational website. Manager Loney requested a clarification of the budget for this project. Manager Pany asked if the I-LID device is covered by the PLSLWD insurance.

Administrator Giese will check into the insurance coverage. Manager Loney moved to table the I-LIDS Pilot Project Renewal. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0

- **4.3 2022 Education and Outreach Plan**
 Elizabeth Froden presented information about the plan. Educational activities included in the plan help the District comply with the MS4 (Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System) permit and Water Resources Management Plan. Manager Boyles moved to approve the 2022 Education and Outreach Plan. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0
- **4.4 Resolution 22-354: Authorizing Membership in the 4M Fund**
 Manager Myser stated that this fund will improve the banking and investing of funds for the PLSLWD. Manager Loney moved to approve Resolution 22-354. Second by Manager Pany. All Ayes. Passed 5-0
- **4.5 Resolution 22-355: Adopting Alum Internal Loading Reserve Fund Budget Amendment.**
 Manager Myser requested a clarification about this budget item. Manager Loney moved to table Resolution 22-355. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0
- **4.6 Covid-19 Safety Plan Update**
 Manager Loney moved to approve the Covid-19 Safety Plan Update. Second by Manager Pany. All Ayes. Passed 5-0
- **4.7 Manager Recognition**
 Manager Myser thanked Manager Pany for his service on the Board of Managers. Manager Pany's term ends March 2, 2022. Manager Pany thanked the managers, administrator, and staff for their great work during his time on the Board of Managers and CAC.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

Manager Boyles moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0

- 5.1 Meeting Minutes— January 11, 2022 Board Workshop
- 5.2 Meeting Minutes—January 11, 2022 Board Meeting
- 5.3 Meeting Minutes- December 9, 2021, CAC Meeting
- 5.4 Claims List & Visa Expenditures Summary

6.0 TREASURER'S REPORT:

Manager Loney reported that finances and financial projections are in good order. Information from the Clifton Larson Allen CPA reports continue to improve. Restricted, committed funds, and cash on hand are clearer at this time.

6.1 Monthly Financial Reports

- Fund Performance Analysis
- Cash and Investments Summary
- Cash Flow Projections

7.0 UPCOMING MEETING/EVENT SCHEDULE:

- CAC meeting Thursday, February 27, 2022, in Wagon Bridge Conference Room, Prior Lake City Hall at 6:30 p.m.
- Board of Managers Meeting, Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 6:00 p.m. Prior Lake City Hall-Council Chambers.
- Growing Healthy Soils Event – Part 2, March 16, 2022, 11:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m., Ridges of Sand Creek, Jordan, MN.

ADJOURNMENT

Manager Pany moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Motion Passed 5-0
Meeting adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Steve Pany, District Secretary
February 15, 2022