



PRIOR LAKE SPRING LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 12, 2022

Prior Lake City Hall

6:00 PM

Members Present: Bruce Loney, Christian Morkeberg, Frank Boyles, Matt Tofanelli, Ben Burnett

Staff & Consultants Present: Joni Giese, District Administrator
Jeff Anderson, Water Resources Coordinator
Shauna Capron, Water Resources Specialist

Others Present: Wesley Steffan, President Spring Lake Association
Curtis Witt, CAC

• 1.0 CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Meeting was called to order by President Loney at 6:08 pm. Everyone present, recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

• 2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Wesley Steffan, 2350 Raymond Avenue, President Spring Lake Association, addressed the board to give an update on events around Spring Lake:

- Fish stocking
- Helped with AIS surveys working with Steve McComas
- Helped mitigate Eurasian watermilfoil infestation
- Thanked Jeff for putting plant management policy together
- Aquatic plants educational seminar Aug 4th Parkview Conf. room

• 3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda changes:

- Item 5.2 was completed during the workshop (new officers were elected).
- 3 items from the workshop were not completed, those were added:
 - 5.3 June Board Meeting Citizen Comment Follow-up
 - 5.4 Real Estate Assistance – Status Update
 - 5.5 Liaison Updates

Motion to approve amended agenda by Manager Burnett, second by Manager Tofanelli. Motion carried. Five ayes.

- **4.0 TREASURER’S REPORT**

Treasurer Morkeberg summarized the financial information contained in the packet including:

- 4.1 Monthly Financial Reports (Discussion Only)

- Financial Report
- Treasurers Report
- Cash Flow Projections

- 4.2 Quarterly Financial Reports

- Balance Sheet
- Cost Analysis

- **5.0 OTHER OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

- **5.1 Programs & Projects Update**

The staff provided a report of its many activities the preceding month. Highlights include:

- Lake water levels are low. Besides lack of rain, evaporation causes water levels to decrease.
- Staff removed approximately 800 pounds of carp from the desilt pond
- Good progress is being made to reduce carp population down to maintenance level in Upper Prior Lake. Reducing carp population in Spring Lake is moving at a slower pace.
- Staff is monitoring trends in boat violations detected by I-LIDS to help inform times that may be beneficial to increase staffed boat inspections.
- Staff is looking for volunteers for training in detecting aquatic invasive species.

- ~~**5.2 Board Officers Appointment (removed from agenda)**~~

Was completed during workshop

- **5.3 June Board Meeting Citizen Comment Follow-up**

Last month Steve Pany suggested more postings of the Water Surface Use Management regulations and policies. Administrator Giese reported that boating and water use is not under the scope for PLSLWD. Staff will provide a link on our webpage to the City of Prior Lake page where the policies are posted.

- **5.4 Real Estate Assistance – Status Update (Joni Giese)**

Administrator Giese reported she is researching firms to provide assistance in getting cooperation from land owners for upper watershed projects. The Board agreed this would be a good expense and should help move these projects forward sooner. Administrator Giese will put together a proposal and cost summary for future approval by the Board.

- **5.5 Liaison Updates**

Manager Morkeberg reported updates from the Spring Lake Township Board meeting, the Soil and Water District meeting, and the Sand Creek Township Board meeting.

New Liaison assignments were made during the workshop.

- **6.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

- 6.1 Meeting Minutes – June 14, 2022, Board Workshop
 - 6.2 Meeting Minutes – June 14, 2022, Board Meeting
 - 6.3 Meeting Minutes – May 26, 2022, CAC Meeting
 - 6.4 Claims List & Visa Expenditures Summary
 - 6.5 Spring Lake Ridge Development Agreement and Conservation Easement
- Motion by Manager Burnett, second by Manager Morkeberg, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried. Five ayes.**

- **7.0 UPCOMING MEETING/EVENT SCHEDULE:**

- Special Board Workshop (2023 Budget Focus), Monday, July 18, 2022, 5:00 – 8:00 pm (Prior Lake City Hall – Wagon Bridge Conference Room)
- CAC Meeting, Thursday, July 28, 2022, 6:00 – 8:00 pm (Prior Lake City Hall – Parkview Conference Room)
- Board of Managers Meeting, Thursday, August 18, 2022, 6:00 pm (Prior Lake City Hall – Council Chambers)

- **8.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Manager Morkeberg, second by Manager Burnett, to adjourn. Motion carried. Five ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ben Burnett, PLSLWD Secretary, August 5, 2022