



PRIOR LAKE SPRING LAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday December 21, 2021

Prior Lake City Hall

6:00 PM

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

Staff & Consultants Present: Joni Giese, District Administrator
Shauna Capron, Water Resources Assistant
Carl Almer, EOR, District Engineer

Others Present: Lisa Quinn, Spring Lake Township
Josh Accola, Stantec Corp.
Ben Burnett, CAC
Eric Lindberg (Virtual), Environmental Sentry Protection
Ben Brandt & Derek Lee, Waterfront Restoration

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

Public Hearing 2022 Budget and Levy

Manager Loney moved to open the 2022 Budget Resolution 21-349 public meeting.
Second by Manager Boyles. All Ayes. Passed 5-0
Public comment: None.

Manager Hennes moved to close the 2022 Budget Resolution 21-349 public meeting.
Second by Manager Pany. All Ayes. Passed 5-0

Manager Myser commented that the funds allocated to the alum fund and Upper Watershed Blueprint project could be better reflected in the budget.

Manager Boyles moved to approve 2022 Budget-Resolution 21-349. Second by Manager Hennes. Passed 3-2. Managers Myser and Hennes voted no.

2022 Levy-Resolution 21-350

Manager Loney moved to open the 2022 Levy-Resolution 21-350 the public meeting. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0

Manager Myser commented that this is the first levy increase in four years. It is a small 3% levy increase primarily to fund upper watershed projects that will cost approximately 9 million dollars that will reduce 90% of the pollutants entering local lakes. It will also fund future alum treatments.

Public comment: none.

Manager Loney moved to close the 2022 Levy-Resolution 21-350 public meeting. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Passed 5-0

Manager Loney moved to approve 2022 Levy-Resolution 21-350. Second by Manager Hennes. All ayes. Passed 5-0

4.0 OTHER OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

4.1 Programs & Projects Update:

Lake ice-over are being recorded. The yearly trend is later fall lake ice-overs. Lake report cards are complete that incorporate 2021 summer data. Water quality trends are generally improving.

Walleye stocking was recently completed by project leader Jeff Anderson.

Administrator Giese presented a grant status update.

Upper Watershed Project Update. Spring Lake west project is a current focus. Buck Lake project feasibility study is moving forward. Sutton Lake iron sand filter and management plan is moving forward. Manager Myser commented that the Engineer pool may be used for specific projects.

A Farmer-Led Council, Growing Healthy Soils Event – Part 1 will be on January 13, 2022.

Growing Healthy Soils event – Part 2 will occur on March 8, 2022.

4.2 I-LIDS 2021 Annual Report: Eric Lindberg CEO. Environmental Sentry Protection LLC

2007 was Environmental Sentry Protection's (ESP) 1st year in business. 2021 was the first year the District used the I-LIDS device. It was installed 5/13/21 and de-installed 11/15/21. 10,726 videos were captured and 5734 of the videos were reviewed by ESP. One suspected AIS violation was found.

Use of I-LIDS provides community education, supports compliance, and spreads awareness. An advantage it provides is monitoring without an inspector present. The CAC will be reviewing and evaluating the first year's results/operations and will make a recommendation regarding future use to PLSLWD managers and staff.

4.3 Watercraft Inspections 2021 Report: Waterfront Restoration LLC

Ben Brandt, Operations Manager from Waterfront Restoration made a presentation / report regarding Fish, Spring, and Prior Lakes boat launch inspections from May to September, 2021. 4817 inspections were performed during 1,000 hours of inspection activity. This service strives to prevent AIS from entering or leaving lakes.

4.4 Year End Fund Commitments (Suggested by PLSLWD accountants, CLA, in response to manager inquiries about how to best direct unexpended 2021 budget items towards intended future purpose)

Proposed committed funds include:

- Alum Internal Loading Fund Balance Commitment-Resolution 21-351
- Upper Watershed Blueprint Fund Balance Commitment-Resolution 21-352

Manager Hennes moved to approve Resolution 21-351 and Resolution 21-352. Second by Manager Loney. All Ayes. Passed 5-0

4.5 Permit #21.02 MN Dot TH 13 (SP 7001-123)

Manager Boyles moved to approve Option #1 (Approve the application subject to the conditions noted in the attached Permit Application Staff Review Comments and approve MnDOT's request to waive security requirements) for permit #21.02, MnDOT TH 13 (SP 7001-123). Second by Manager Loney. Passed 3-2. Manager Myser and Hennes voted no, as they were not in favor of waiving the security requirements.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA:

Manager Boyles asked that meeting minutes format be revised to avoid confusion between listing all board managers at the top of the document and then the list of managers who were present at the meeting. It was decided to remove the list of managers from the minutes to avoid future confusion. Manager Boyles moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Second by Manager Loney. All Ayes. Passed 5-0

5.1 Meeting Minutes - November 9, 2021, Board Workshop

5.2 Meeting Minutes - November 9, 2021, Board Meeting

5.3 Meeting Minutes - October 28, 2021, CAC Meeting

5.4 Claims List & Visa Expenditures Summary

5.5 Mesenbrink Development Agreement

5.6 Marxen Farm Development Agreement and Conservation Easement

5.7 Springview Meadows Development Agreement and Conservation Easement

6.0 TREASURER'S REPORT:

Manager Loney reported that finances and financial projections are in good order.

6.1 Monthly Financial Reports

Fund Performance Analysis

Cash and Investments Summary

Cash Flow Projections

7.0 UPCOMING MEETING/EVENT SCHEDULE:

Board of Managers Meeting, Tuesday, January 11, 2022, 6:00 pm, Prior Lake City Hall-Council Chambers.

January 13th Farmer-Led Council, Growing Healthy Soils Event- Part 1.

CAC meeting Thursday January 27, 2022, Wagon Bridge Conference Room, Prior Lake City Hall, 6:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Manager Pany moved to adjourn meeting. Second by Manager Hennes. All Ayes. Motion Passed 5-0 Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Steve Pany, District Secretary

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