# Regular Meeting South Washington Watershed District Tuesday, July 9, 2024 5:30 p.m. City of Woodbury Public Works Building

# 1. Call to Order and Setting of Agenda

Manager Doucette called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to pull Morcon Pay Request #9 from the Consent Agenda and move it to Item #11 under the Agenda for discussion. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### Roll Call:

- Sharon Doucette, 1st Vice President
- Emily Stephens, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President
- Kevin ChapdeLaine, Treasurer
- Mike Madigan, Secretary

#### Staff:

- John Loomis, Administrator
- Melissa Imse, Operations Manager
- Kyle Axtell, Watershed Project Manager
- Tony Randazzo, BMP Watershed Restoration Specialist
- Abby Tekiela, Water Resources Program Coordinator

#### Others:

- Jack Clinton, SWWD Attorney
- Mary Ellen Reihsen, SWWD Attorney

# **2. Public Open Forum** None.

#### 3. Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda include: June 11, 2024 Regular Board Meeting minutes, June Claims Roster and Treasurer's Report: accounts payable \$323,775.07, accounts receivable \$44,636.15, 4M fund balance \$10,230,589.79, Calendar of Events, Development Reviews, Wetland Conservation Act, Cost Share, and Miscellaneous Correspondence. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to approve the Consent Agenda. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 4. Manager's Report

Manager Doucette-None.

**Manager Stephens**–Manager Stephens reported that she attended the SWWD CAC meeting.

Manager ChapdeLaine-None.

Manager Madigan-None.

## 5. Administrator Report

**SWWD Project Updates.** Included in the board packet are project updates on: Trout Brook, Glacial Valley Park and Open space, Campus Greening, Wilmes Lake Alum Treatment Facility, Hasenbank Woods/Powers Lake BMP, St. Paul Park Public Works Underground BMP, Markgrafs Lake Retrofit Analysis, Colby Lake Retrofit Analysis, Northern Watershed/CDSF/East Ravine Review and Optimization, Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park, St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park, CR74-65<sup>th</sup> and Geneva, Watershed Plan Update, In-Lake AIS Management, Newport Open Space Planning, and Armstrong

Lake Wetland Cattail Harvesting.

Minnesota Watersheds Resolutions Request. The managers reviewed the active Minnesota Watersheds Resolutions and those that will sunset at the end of the year. No Board action taken.

**Grey Cloud Flooding.** Administrator Loomis provided an update on the flooding situation at Grey Cloud Island.

**3M Wastewater Permit Review Period.** The Metropolitan Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has issued a draft wastewater permit for the 3M Cottage Grove facility for 45-day public review. MPCA has scheduled one virtual and one in person public meeting to discuss the draft permit and receive questions. Those meetings are July 29 and 31, respectively. MPCA is accepting comments until August 15. Many agencies are requesting more public meetings and a 90-day public review/comment period. After discussion, the Managers directed Staff to join the request with the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy (MCEA) to include more public meetings and a 90-day public review period, and to include PFAS in the NPDES/SDS Permit.

- **6. 2025 Draft Budget.** The second draft of the 2025 budget was presented to the Board. Staff will continue working through each management area. The 2025 budget hearing will be at the August 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting for public comment.
- 7. Colby Lake BMP Feasibility Study, SRF Consulting, Task Order #2024-002. SWWD staff continues work to identify and develop regional stormwater BMPs to improve water quality in the District's lakes and streams. Building upon previous efforts to address Colby Lake and our positive experience working with SRF on Markgrafs Lake, staff has asked SRF to provide a new scope for a similar study in the Colby Lake subwatershed. The SRF task order will provide desktop and field assessment of the Colby Lake subwatershed, including XP-SWMM and P8 model development, resulting in identification of six beneficial and feasible regional stormwater treatment project concepts that will improve water quality in Colby Lake. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to approve Task Order #2024-002 with SRF Consulting for up to \$87,100. Manager Stephens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8. Trout Brook Phase 3 Task Order Amendment, Houston Engineering. SWWD has exhausted funding authorized in the current Trout Brook task orders for Houston Engineering (HEI). Staff has worked with HEI to estimate effort required to finish out the project. HEI has provided the additional services request, not to exceed \$10,000. This will take us through completion of Trout Brook phase 3. A motion was made by Manager Stephens to approve Task Order Amendment with Houston Engineering for Trout Brook Phase 3 for up to \$10,000. Manager ChapdeLaine seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- 9. Minnesota Native Landscapes (MNL) Change Order 1, Wilmes Lake Alum Facility Restoration. Due to ongoing difficulties getting Miller Excavating to properly prepare site conditions at the Wilmes Lake Alum Facility in advance of MNL's mobilization for its native seeding restoration work, staff took an approach to work directly with MNL to complete site preparation. This has involved several rounds of herbicide treatments and will involve time to clear large rocks and woody debris from the site. The additional cost is not in the scope of our current contract with MNL. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to approve the MNL Change Order 1 for up to \$2,960. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- **10. St. Paul Park Underground BMP WBIF Grant Agreement.** BWSR has notified staff that our application for WBIF grant funding for the St. Paul Park Underground BMP has

been approved in the requested amount of \$228,539. SWWD will be required to post a local match of at least \$22,854. The Grant agreement language is standard and may not be modified by SWWD. A construction contract with Pember Companies has already been executed. Completing the grant agreement process with BWSR is the last step needed before construction may begin. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to authorize Administrator Loomis to execute the WBIF Grant Agreement for the St. Paul Park Underground BMG once received. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Morcon Pay Request #9 for the Wilmes Alum Treatment Facility. Project Manager Axtell reported that Miller Excavating a sub-contractor for Morcon, had many erosion and sediment control violations at the Wilmes Alum Treatment Facility. Project Manager Axtell recommends withholding payment until the violations are corrected. A motion was made by Manager Madigan to withhold pay request #9 to Morcon contingent on the erosion and sediment control compliance. Manager ChapdeLaine seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### 12. Future Business and Meetings.

- a) Regular Board Meeting and Tour, Tuesday, July 9, 2024 5:30pm
- b) Water in Woodbury Tour, July 17, 2024 2:30pm
- c) SWWD Watershed Management Plan Workshop, Tuesday, July 30, 2024 6pm at Glacial Valley Park-9900 Ravine Parkway, Cottage Grove
- d) SWWD Watershed Management Plan Workshop, Tuesday, August 6, 2024 6pm at Ojibway Park-2695 Ojibway Drive, Woodbury
- e) Lower St. Croix Partnership Workshop 2: Conservation Development Tour in Northern Washington County, Wednesday, August 7, 2024 1-4pm
- f) Regular Board Meeting, Wednesday, August 14, 2024 6pm
- g) Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, September 10, 2024 6pm
- h) SWWD CAC Meeting-September TBD
- i) Lower St. Croix Partnership Workshop 3: Workshop on the Water in Northern Chisago County, Monday, September 30, 2024 6-8pm

#### 13. Adjourn

The next regular Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. Manager Madigan seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Amse

Melissa Imse, Operations Manager

Approved By:

Mr. Mike Madigan, Secretary

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