

**VALLEY BRANCH WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting No. 838 Held in the**  
**Lake Elmo City Council Chambers**  
**Thursday, June 10, 2010**

**APPROVED**  
**MINUTES**

**MANAGERS PRESENT:** David Bucheck, President; Dale Borash, Treasurer; and Ray Lucksinger, Manager

**MANAGER ABSENT:** Lincoln Fetcher Vice President and Don Scheel, Secretary

**STAFF PRESENT:** John Hanson, Engineer, Barr Engineering; Ray Marshall, Attorney, Lawson Marshall McDonald Galowitz and Wolle; Ray Roemmich, Inspector; Melissa Imse, Recording Secretary

**STAFF ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ron Leaf, Representing the City of Oakdale

**CALL TO ORDER** President Bucheck called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** After discussion of the May 27, 2010 meeting minutes, **motion** was made by Lucksinger and seconded by Borash to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS** Under the Managers report: Item#3 Water Consortium meeting.

**PUBLIC FORUM** Ron Leaf inquired if VBWD would be interested in developing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Oakdale regarding updating its Surface Water Management Plan (SWMP). The MOU would give the City two years to update its rules and standards to the VBWD standards. After discussion, the Managers directed Engineer Hanson and Attorney Marshall to work with Brian Bachmeier, City Engineer for the City of Oakdale, and Ron Leaf, to develop a draft MOU.

**CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE** Chuck Taylor provided the managers an update on lake level monitoring.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** No report given.

**INSPECTOR'S REPORT** Inspector Roemmich gave a brief update on on-going projects within the District.

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

**MS4 SWPPP Public Hearing**

Attorney Marshall presented the MS4 SWPPP publication notice for Acting Secretary Lucksinger's signature. Attorney Wolle is checking into insurance for the District and will report back to the Managers.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** Treasurer Borash distributed copies of the VBWD 2009 Financial Audit. Treasurer Borash reminded the Managers to turn in or email per diem request to him.

**WASHINGTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT** No report given.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

**Payment Application: Project 1007 Maintenance** After project review and discussion, **motion** was made by Bucheck and seconded by Borash for payment for the project 1007 maintenance in the amount of \$5,172.19. Motion carried unanimously.

**Sunfish Lake-Algal Toxin Testing** Engineer Hanson provided response letters from the State of Minnesota Department of Health and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency regarding a high level of blue-green algae found in Sunfish Lake. Neither the MPCA or MDH collect or analyze samples for algal toxins, and neither inform the public of the presence of high algal toxins. Engineer Hanson provided a memo from Barr Engineering providing the possible options for VBWD to consider for toxin testing. After discussion, **motion** was made by Bucheck and seconded by Borash to initiate toxin testing by Barr Engineering on Sunfish Lake and the cost of the testing be added to the routine water quality monitoring program. Motion carried unanimously.

**EMWREP Meeting** Engineer Hanson provided an update on the last EMWREP meeting. The meeting focused on outreach to rural areas. Engineer Hanson forwarded an email detailing the meeting from Angie Hong.

**South Fork Raleigh Creek Erosion, Lake Elmo** VBWD received a request from a landowner in Lake Elmo to provide assistance to divert water from his property and stabilize the channel on the property easement. The Managers directed Barr to develop a restoration concept plan with a cost estimate for them to review before making a decision.

## **MANAGERS' REPORT**

**Consent Calendar** After discussion, **motion** was made by Bucheck and seconded by Borash to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

**Next Meeting - June 24, 2010** Secretary Scheel will be absent. All other managers plan to attend.

**Water Consortium Meeting** President Bucheck provided an update in the water consortium meeting. President Bucheck announced the schedule for the boundary change petition hearing.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **FUTURE ITEMS**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** was made by Borash and seconded by Lucksinger at 8:10 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

**/s/ Ray Lucksinger**

Ray Lucksinger, Acting Secretary

**Minutes approved by Managers on June 24, 2010**