Minutes of Regular Meeting # 722 Held in the Lake Elmo City Council Chambers
Thursday, February 10, 2005

MANAGERS PRESENT: Dave Bucheck, President; Lincoln Fetcher, Vice President; Dale Borash, Treasurer; and Duane Johnson, Manager

MANAGERS ABSENT: Don Scheel, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT: John Hanson, Barr Engineering; Barbara Wolle, Attorney; Ray Roemmich, Inspector; Karen Schultz, Recording Secretary

STAFF ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Charles Taylor (CAC); Candice Kraemer, City of Grant Council

CALL TO ORDER President Bucheck called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS President Bucheck announced that the VBWD has received a $150,000 grant through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency=s (EPA) Clean Water Act Section 319 program for federal fiscal year 2005. In October 2004, the VBWD had applied for the grant for the erosion stabilization repair and rehabilitation projects to be one on Valley Creek.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES After discussion of the minutes of the January 27, 2005 meeting, motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Borash to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS Added to the agenda under Managers, was Sunnybrook Lake Update.

PUBLIC FORUM There was no discussion in the Public Forum segment of the meeting.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE Chuck Taylor had mailed his report on lake levels, and discussed it with the managers at this meeting.

SECRETARY=S REPORT Secretary Scheel was not present, but had distributed the mail previously.

INSPECTOR=S REPORT Inspector Roemmich said there is nothing new to report.

ATTORNEY=S REPORT Attorney Wolle had nothing new to report.

TREASURER=S REPORT Treasurer Borash will make the full Treasurer=s Report at the second meeting of the month.

ENGINEER=S REPORT Search for Volunteers to Conduct Lake Water Quality Sampling Engineer Hanson reported that several more volunteers are needed this coming year to complete the managers= proposed water quality sampling program. In an effort to find volunteers efficiently, he suggested that the managers consider a newsletter-style mailing. A draft newsletter had been sent to the managers. The managers and Engineer Hanson discussed how a VBWD newsletter could be mailed to the property owners around the lakes that are selected to be monitored for lake quality. The newsletter is meant to alert the property owners of the lake monitoring program, and the need for volunteers to check the quality of the lakes. The managers
approved of the newsletter, and directed Engineer Hanson to date the Newsletter, and to name the lakes that volunteers are especially needed to monitor.

**NPDES Phase II MS4 Permit** The public hearing on the NPDES Phase II MS4 Permit will be held on February 24, 2005, at 8:00 p.m. Engineer Hanson had mailed a draft annual report for the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan to the managers for their review. At this meeting the managers and Engineer Hanson discussed the contents of the report, and the managers approved the report with minor changes.

**MANAGERS= REPORT Next Meeting - February 24, 2005** The managers expect a quorum to be present on February 24th. President Bucheck will be absent.

**Sunnybrook Lake Update** Engineer Hanson said he is meeting with the City of Grant Engineer on Friday the 11th, to discuss the coordination of the flood storage project in the Sunnybrook Lake area. He provided the managers with a memorandum listing three methods to coordinate the project: 1) keep the City of Grant projects completely separate from the VBWD projects; 2) incorporate the separate portions of the contract documents into one project; and 3) VBWD would prepare all of the documents for all projects, and charge the City of Grant an agreed upon cost. The managers discussed these options and other options and agreed that the projects should be kept separate.

Engineer Hanson said the letters to the six Sunnybrook Lake landowners concerning the appraisals of their land for easements, have been sent. President Bucheck said he had received some telephone calls from some of the residents and he will try to contact the other landowners in the next few weeks.

**ADJOURNMENT Motion** made by Fetcher and seconded by Borash at 7:55 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donald Scheel, Secretary

**Minutes Approved by Managers 02/24/05**