Minutes of Regular Meeting # 790 Held in the Lake Elmo City Council Chambers
Thursday, March 13, 2008

MANAGERS PRESENT: Lincoln Fetcher, President; Dale Borash, Treasurer; and Ray Lucksinger, Manager

MANAGERS ABSENT: Dave Bucheck, Vice President; and Don Scheel, Secretary

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

STAFF ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER President Fetcher called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS There were no announcements made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES After discussion of the minutes of the February 28, 2008 meeting, motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Lucksinger to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS Added to the agenda under Managers: Department of Health, PFC Update; VBWD-Ramsey Conservation District BMP Agreement; West Lakeland Storage Site Trespassing.

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

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

SECRETARY=S REPORT Secretary Scheel was absent; Engineer Hanson had picked up the mail and distributed it.

INSPECTOR=S REPORT Inspector Roemmich said he had nothing new to report.

ATTORNEY=S REPORT Attorney Marshall said he had nothing new to report.

TREASURER=S REPORT The Treasurer=s Report will be given at the next meeting. Treasurer Borash said the per diem reports are due at the next meeting.

Washington Conservation District No one was present from the Washington Conservation District (WCD). President Fetcher discussed the BMP cost-share program coordination process between the VBWD, WCD, and Ramsey Conservation District (RCD). President Fetcher said the BMP program contract was approved last summer for the WCD to develop and administer the program, but the WCD will not work in Ramsey County, so WCD and RCD want the VBWD to enter into a separate contract with RCD. Rusty Schmidt, of the WCD, will be managing the whole program. President Fetcher gave the VBWD-RCD agreement to Attorney Marshall for his review. Attorney Marshall, after reviewing the agreement, had no additional changes. The managers will be acting on the agreement approval at the next meeting.
ENGINEER=S REPORT Letter of Credit Reduction Request: Rockpoint Church, Lake Elmo  Engineer Hanson had mailed to the managers a memorandum regarding VBWD Permit # 2006-09: Rockpoint Church/Hidden Meadows of Lake Elmo project (formerly known as Lakewood Evangelical Free Church/Deer Glen - Permit 2004-27). Engineer Hanson explained that a request has been made for a reduction in the VBWD-held Letter of Credit. Engineer Hanson said that he has discussed this with the VBWD Attorney, and also Inspector Roemmich, and suggests that the managers reduce the Letter of Credit from $92,580 to $50,000. After much discussion, motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Borash to support the reduction of the Letter of Credit in Permit # 2006-09, from $92,580 to $50,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Letter of Support for Washington Conservation District Weed Control Grant Engineer Hanson had mailed to the managers, draft copies of a letter to the Washington Conservation District (WCD) regarding the WCD application to the Cooperative Weed Management Area Grant Program. In the letter, VBWD supports the WCD=s application for a grant through the Board of Water and Soil Resources. After discussion, motion was made by Borash and seconded by Fetcher to approve the letter dated March 7, 2008, and stating the VBWD support for the grant application. Motion carried unanimously. The managers directed Engineer Hanson to mail the letter to the Washington Conservation District.

Requested Deadline Extension: Lake Elmo Local Water Management Plan Engineer Hanson had mailed to the managers a letter that he had received from the City Manager of the City of Lake Elmo, requesting an extension of time for completing the City=s Local Water Management Plan. After much discussion, motion was made by Borash and seconded by Lucksinger to grant the City of Lake Elmo=s request for an extension of time to March 31, 2009, and also, that VBWD will continue with the permitting program. Motion carried unanimously.

MANAGERS= REPORT Next Meeting-March 27, 2008 The managers expect to have a quorum for the next meeting.

2007 Annual Report Draft The managers and Engineer Hanson provided changes and corrections to the 2007 annual report draft. Karen Schultz said she will have a second draft for the managers= review at the next meeting.

Report on Legislative Breakfast Held March 13, 2008 President Fetcher said he had attended the Legislative Breakfast in St. Paul, and talked about some of the topics discussed at the breakfast. He distributed photographs of farms in the Red River Valley with ring dikes around the farms.

President Fetcher said that Don Buckhout, with the Board of Water and Soil Resources, spoke about the importance of getting the required reports and documents sent to BWSR on time, and to the correct name and address.

Minnesota Department of Health PFC Update President Fetcher said he attended the Department of Health presentation on the PFC update, on Monday in Woodbury. He said he has discussed the Washington County landfill issue with various state agency representatives and elected officials, and he learned about the effectiveness of various carbon filters on treating PFCs.

West Lakeland Storage Site Manager Lucksinger reported that three kids in pick-up trucks were trespassing at the West Lakeland Storage Site for about 20 minutes, about 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday. He said he called the sheriff, but the trespassers left before the deputies arrived, but they did get caught near the storage site.

Engineer Hanson said that John Buelow will soon begin the work of removing the Ajump @ and installing the ANo Trespassing @ signs soon.

ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Borash and seconded by Fetcher at 8:24 pm to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Don Scheel, Secretary

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Minutes Approved by Managers 03/27/08