Minutes of Regular Meeting # 813 Held in the Lake Elmo City Council Chambers
Thursday, March 26, 2009

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

MANAGERS ABSENT: Don Scheel, Secretary

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

STAFF ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Todd Erickson, Folz Freeman Erickson, Inc.

CALL TO ORDER President Fetcher called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS There were no announcements.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES After discussion of the minutes of the March 12, 2009 meeting, motion was made by Bucheck and seconded by Fetcher to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.


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

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

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

ATTORNEY= REPORT Attorney Marshall reported that he had received the official VBWD enlargement petition from the Assistant Washington County Attorney.

TREASURER= REPORT Treasurer Borash distributed copies of the Administrative and Program Budgets for Fiscal Year 2009 dated 2/28/2009, and the Treasurer= s Report dated March 26, 2009. After discussion, motion was made by Borash and seconded by Bucheck to approve the Treasurer= s Report. Motion carried unanimously.

After discussion of a payment to Nadeau Excavating, Inc., Payment No. 2 in the amount of $69,788.90, which has not yet been paid, but was approved at the March 12, 2009 meeting, motion was made by Borash and seconded by Fetcher, to amend the Treasurer= s Report to include Payment No. 2 in the amount of $69,788.90 to Nadeau Excavating, Inc. in the A List of Expenses for the Period® on the Treasurer= s Report. Motion carried unanimously.

2008 Audit President Fetcher reported that he had received a letter from the VBWD auditor indicating that the draft 2008 audit will be complete by the end of April.
Washington Conservation District No one was present representing the Washington Conservation District.

Water Resource Education Specialist President Fetcher reported that the Water Resource Education Specialist, Angie Hong, will attend a conference in Portland, Oregon, and asked the managers if they agreed that the trip can be financed by EMWREP. The managers agreed.

Washington County Land and Water Legacy President Fetcher directed Engineer Hanson to represent the VBWD at meetings of the Washington County Land and Water Legacy in the future.

ENGINEER=S REPORT Permit Request: Sunnybrook Ponds, Grant Engineer Hanson presented information on a project located at 7611 Jamaca Avenue North, Grant in part of the northwest quarter of Section 27, Township 30 North, Range 21 West.

The purpose of the project is to subdivide two parcels totally 61.3 acres into six parcels, ranging from 6.4 acres to 14.6 acres.

After discussion of the storm water management, the wetland management and buffers, the floodplain management, motion was made by Borash and seconded by Bucheck to approve Permit # 2009-09 with the engineer=s suggested site-specific conditions and standard conditions, including amendments suggested and approved by the managers. Motion carried unanimously.

Included with the permit application is a Joint Powers Agreement Between the Valley Branch Watershed District and the Brown=s Creek Watershed District Concerning Regulatory Authority over Described Property in the City of Grant. Attorney Marshall reported that he has reviewed the Joint Powers Agreement and found that changes are needed to the legal description. Once Browns Creek Watershed District provides the land descriptions included in the agreement, the agreement can be signed by both watershed district presidents.

2008 Basin Water Quality Results and 2009 Basin Monitoring Recommendations Engineer Hanson had mailed to the managers a report on the A 2008 Basin Water Quality Results and 2009 Basin Water Quality Monitoring Recommendations@ for discussion at the last meeting. The discussion was postponed until this meeting.

Engineer Hanson began a review of the report and recommendations. After the managers discussed the recommendations, motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Borash to move forward with the monitoring as recommended in the report dated March 6, 2009, by Engineer Hanson. Motion carried unanimously. After more discussion, as a substitute for the previous approved motion, motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Bucheck to approve recommendations for the water quality monitoring including the action trigger items, all of which are listed in Table 3 of the water quality monitoring information document with the addition of some phytoplankton and zooplankton monitoring on Silver Lake and without the sulfate and methyl mercury monitoring of Long Lake. Motion carried with the following vote: Fetcher, Yes; Bucheck, Yes; Lucksinger, Yes; Borash, No.

Woodbury AUAR Engineer Hanson had mailed to the managers a draft letter addressed to the City of Woodbury regarding the Woodbury Northeast Area Draft Alternative Urban Areawide Review. After discussing the contents of the letter, motion was made by Bucheck and seconded by Borash to approve the letter dated March 26, 2009. Motion carried unanimously. Engineer Hanson will mail the letter.

Lake Elmo Village AUAR Engineer Hanson reported that the final AUAR for Lake Elmo Village is expected soon, and he said he will review it in time for discussion at the next meeting.

MANAGERS= REPORT Next Meeting - April 9, 2009 The managers expect to have a quorum at the next meeting.
Citizens Advisory Committee Engineer Hanson distributed posters advertising the need for citizens to apply for involvement with the Citizens Advisory Committee. Each manager will place the posters in their area.

MAWD Legislative Breakfast President Fetcher reported that he had attended the MAWD Legislative Breakfast on March 18 and 19, 2009, and said the speakers and meetings were informative and interesting.

2008 Annual Report Draft The managers gave Karen Schultz their changes and additions to the 2008 draft annual report. She will prepare a second draft for the next meeting.

Lower St. Croix Watershed Management Organization The public hearing on the dissolution of the LSCWMO and enlargement of the VBWD and the South Washington Watershed District, will be held on April 22, 2009 at the Washington County South Service Center in Cottage Grove.

Campaign Finance Disclosure Requirements The managers agreed to complete the Campaign Finance Disclosure form.

Guidelines for BMP Cost Share for Special Projects Vice President Bucheck distributed a list of guidelines for Best Management Practices Cost Share for Special Projects for the managers to discuss. After the managers reviewed the guidelines, Vice President Bucheck asked them to forward to him any comments and changes before April 4th, and he will prepare a final draft for discussion at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS Permit Request: CSAH 18 Reconstruction, Afton Engineer Hanson said he has not yet received anything on this item.

ADJOURNMENT Motion made by Bucheck and seconded by Borash at 9:18 pm to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Ray Lucksinger

Ray Lucksinger, Acting Secretary