VALLEY BRANCH WATERSHED DISTRICT
Minutes of Regular Meeting No. 861 Held in the
Lake Elmo City Council Chambers
Thursday, July 28, 2011
APPROVED
MINUTES

MANAGERS PRESENT: David Bucheck, President; Lincoln Fetcher, Vice President; Dale Borash, Treasurer; Jill Lucas, Secretary; and Ed Marchan, Manager

MANAGER ABSENT: None

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

STAFF ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Johnson, Silver Lake Resident; Michael Seetley, Phil Grovel, Cedar Bluff Homestead Development

CALL TO ORDER President Bucheck called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES After discussion of the July 14, 2011 meeting minutes, motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Borash to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS Item #4 under Engineers Report-Goetschel Pond, Goose Lake, Long Lake Ravine Stabilization Projects.

PUBLIC FORUM Mr. Dave Johnson, a Silver Lake resident, was present to discuss his concerns with the Joy Park Phase II improvements, and flooding to his property. No Board action was taken.

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE None

SECRETARY’S REPORT None

INSPECTOR’S REPORT Inspector Roemmich reported on the following projects: City of Lake Elmo street project, and the City of Afton street improvement projects.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT None

TREASURER’S REPORT Treasurer Borash distributed copies of the Administrative and Program Budgets Fiscal Year 2011, dated June 2011, and the Treasurer's Report dated July 28, 2011. After discussion, motion was made by Borash and seconded by Lucas to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried unanimously.

WASHINGTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT None

ENGINEER’S REPORT Permit Request: Cedar Bluff Homestead in Afton After discussion, motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Borash to approve permit request 2011-14 Cedar Bluff Homestead in Afton. Motion carried unanimously.
Watershed Outlet Monitoring Program  At the July 14, 2011 Board meeting, Dr. Jim Almendinger and Erik Anderson were present to propose to the Managers that the Washington Conservation District take over the monitoring duties for the Valley Creek Stream for the remainder of 2011 and 2012, and Dr. Almendinger would continue to provide the data analysis for VBWD. After discussion, motion was made by Bucheck and seconded by Lucas to approve the stream monitoring amendment to the contract with the Washington Conservation District in the amount of $10,548.00. Motion carried unanimously. President Bucheck and Secretary Lucas signed the agreement.

Plan Amendment  The deadline for comments on the VBWD Plan Amendment is August 18, 2011. Engineer Hanson will compile the list of comments and draft responses for the managers to review at the end of the comment period. A public hearing on the plan amendment will be determined by the managers after the comment deadline.

Ravine Stabilization Projects  The Goetschel Pond, Goose Lake, and Long Lake Ravine Stabilization projects are complete, and the contractor would like to close out the project with the MPCA. After discussion, President Bucheck signed the MPCA’s NPDES Construction Stormwater Permit Notice of Termination document.

MANAGERS’ REPORT
Next Meeting - August 11, 2011  Secretary Lucas and Treasurer Borash will be absent. President Bucheck, Vice President Fetcher and Manager Marchan plan to attend.

OLD BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
None.

FUTURE ITEMS
None.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion was made by Lucas and seconded by Borash at 8:19 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Jill Lucas

Jill Lucas, Secretary

Minutes approve by Managers on 8/25/2011