VALLEY BRANCH WATERSHED DISTRICT
Minutes of Regular Meeting No. 979
Held in Baytown Township Community Center  APPROVED
Thursday, May 11, 2017  MINUTES

MANAGERS PRESENT:  Dave Bucheck, President; Lincoln Fetcher, Vice President; Jill Lucas, Secretary; Ed Marchan, Treasurer; and Anthony Haider Manager

MANAGER ABSENT:  None

STAFF PRESENT:  John Hanson, Engineer, Barr Engineering; Susannah Torseth, Attorney, Galowitz Olson; Jeff Brower, Inspector

STAFF ABSENT:  Melissa Imse, Recording Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT:  Peter Galzki-SRF Consulting Group for Washington County fairgrounds permit, Rick Packer, Clark, Brian Kallio representing Royal Golf Club, Mike Biebl; neighbor to Royal Golf Club; Chuck Taylor

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS  None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES  After discussion, motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Fetcher to approve the April 27, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS  Item #3 Under Engineer’s Report- Kelle’s Creek Septic Cost Share Request

PUBLIC FORUM  None

CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE  Chuck Taylor presented the lake level report for May. Lakes were generally not as high as Chuck had anticipated.

SECRETARY’S REPORT  Engineer Hanson distributed the mail.

INSPECTOR’S REPORT  Inspector Brower reported that he spent half a day with Ray Roemmich and visited 16 sites in VBWD area. Inspector Brower was out today with the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District inspector. Inspector Brower has been to Afton Village a number of times during the last week and reported that half the bridge at Kelle’s Creek is open, curb and gutter should go in next week, work is being done by the bike trail on the north end of town, and they are starting to move dirt at the sewage treatment site. Inspector Brower attended the construction meeting at Afton City Hall last week. Inspector Brower reported on the Islamic Center, Save-A-Tree sites in Afton, and Lake Elmo Avenue.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT  None

WASHINGTON CONSERVATION DISTRICT  None

ENGINEER’S REPORT
Permit Request: The Royal Golf Club at Lake Elmo, Lake Elmo  Engineer Hanson reviewed the updated plans with the Managers, which included minor changes and the addition of an infiltration basin. The developer submitted a
variance request and the Managers reviewed each item of the request. After lengthy discussion, a motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Marchan to approve a variance request for permit 2017-06 with discussed changes. Motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Marchan to approve permit 2017-06 with all changes to conditions and variances. Motion carried unanimously.

**Permit Request: 2017 Street Improvements Lake Elmo** After discussion, a motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Lucas to approve permit 2017-17, 2017 Street Improvements in Lake Elmo with the suggested and applicable site specific conditions. Motion carried unanimously.

**Permit Request: Williams New Home, Baytown Township** After discussion, a motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Lucas to approve permit 2017-14, Williams new home in Baytown Township with the suggested and applicable site specific conditions. Motion carried unanimously.

**Permit Request: Washington County Fairgrounds Repaving Project, Baytown Township** After discussion, a motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Marchan to approve Permit #2017-16, Washington County Fairgrounds Repaving project with suggested and applicable site specific conditions. Motion carried unanimously.

**Permit Request: Easton Village, Lake Elmo** After discussion, a motion was made by Bucharck and seconded by Marchan to approve permit 2017-12, Easton Village in Lake Elmo with the suggested and applicable site specific conditions. Motion carried unanimously.

**Permit Request: Old Village Phase 3 Improvements, Lake Elmo** After discussion, a motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Fetcher to table permit 2017-15, Old Village Phase 3 Improvements in Lake Elmo. Motion carried unanimously.

**MAWD Summer Tour** The manager discussed the MAWD Summer Tour and the anticipated dues increase. A motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Fetcher to authorize the attendance for any manager or staff at the MAWD Summer Tour. Motion carried unanimously.

**Recommendation for Payment-Kelle’s Creek Septic System** After discussion, a motion was made by Fetcher and seconded by Marchan to approve a cost share payment in the amount of $5,000 for a cost share payment as part of the Kelle’s Creek Septic System program. Motion carried unanimously.

**MANAGERS’ REPORT**

**Website** Vice President Fetcher gave an update as to status of the contract he has been reviewing with the company he is supportive of for developing and hosting the VBWD website. Vice President Fetcher wants to discuss the cost and effort to maintain the website. The managers may hold a workshop in June to discuss the website details.

**Consent Calendar** A motion was made by Bucheck and seconded by Lucas to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

**TREASURER’S REPORT** None

**FUTURE BUSINESS**

**Next Meetings – May 25 and June 8, 2017** Manager Haider will not be at the May 25th meeting and Vice President Fetcher may be absent at the May 25th meeting. All managers plan to attend the meetings. The June 8th meeting will begin at 6:00pm.

**OLD BUSINESS** None.

**NEW BUSINESS** None.
FUTURE ITEMS
None.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Fetcher at 9:52 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Jill Lucas

Jill Lucas, Secretary

Minutes approved by managers 5/25/2017

Consent Calendar
Consent calendar items are generally defined as items of routine business that do not require discussion and can be approved in one vote. The Managers may elect to pull a consent calendar item(s) for discussion and/or separate action. The following items are presented for the Managers’ approval:

Best Management Practices Cost-Share Projects
a. $500 for a Plant Grant to Martin Hyndman for a project at 2543 Lake Elmo Avenue North in Lake Elmo and the Lake Elmo Subwatershed
b. $500 for a Plant Grant to Lou Schuweiler for a project at 5890 Highland Trail in Lake Elmo and the Lake DeMontreville Subwatershed