VALLEY BRANCH WATERSHED DISTRICT
Minutes of Regular Meeting No. 1033
Held in Baytown Township Community Center
Thursday, January 23, 2020

MANAGERS PRESENT: Dave Sewell, Vice President; Ed Marchan, Treasurer; and Rick Gelbmann, Secretary

MANAGER ABSENT: Jill Lucas, President and John Hamerly, Manager

STAFF PRESENT: John Hanson, Engineer, Barr Engineering; Laurann Kirschner, Attorney, Galowitz Olson; and Jeff Brower, Inspector

STAFF ABSENT: Melissa Imse, Recording Secretary and Susannah Torseth, Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT: Danielle Jeffery (Sunnybrook Lake)

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS
None

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS (Additions/Deletions/Corrections)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
A motion was made by Gelbmann and seconded by Marchan to approve the agenda for January 23, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC FORUM
None

CONSENT CALENDAR
Treasurer Marchan requested to remove the Permit 2020-02: Lake Elmo Park Reserve Wetland Restorations.

Permit 2020-02: Lake Elmo Park Reserve Wetland Restorations. After discussion, a motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Sewell to approve Permit 2020-02, Lake Elmo Park Reserve Wetland Restorations in Lake Elmo. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Gelbmann and seconded by Marchan to approve the remaining items on the Consent Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

• January 9, 2020 Meeting Minutes
• Permit 2020-03: Mahtomedi Pond 71 Excavation, Mahtomedi
• Agreement with Ramsey County for Lake Monitoring Services
• Lake St. Croix Beach Local Surface Water Management Plan
• St. Mary’s Point Local Surface Water Management Plan
• Treasurer’s Report

UPDATES AND REQUESTS FROM PARTNERS, VOLUNTEERS AND CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
None

PERMITTING PROGRAM
Inspector’s Report
Inspector Brower reported on the following:

• The Metropolitan Airport Commission/30th Street Relocation project.
• Sunnybrook Lake: Checked water level and the Horesji and Keene homes. Both are secured.
• Washington County Road project on Manning Avenue at 14th.
• Halcyon Cemetery.
• Silver Lake Outlet: Did some maintenance work along the outlet.
• Inspector Brower reported that he attended the University of Minnesota construction site management certification course.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT
Access Agreement  The VBWD received an access agreement from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) for the MPCA to access two VBWD parcels for the purpose of drilling a well to check for PFAS. A motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Gelbmann to approve the access agreement on the two VBWD parcels with the MPCA. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR/ENGINEER
Permit Close Out: Permit 2019-04  After discussion, a motion was made by Marchan and seconded by Sewell to approve permit close out for permit 2019-04. Motion carried unanimously.

Sunnybrook Lake Neighborhood Flooding  Danielle Jeffrey was present from Sunnybrook Lake and requested an update on the City of Grant possibly raising the roads, Washington County funding for flood proofing at Sunnybrook Lake, and the VBWD funding for flood proofing the level II homes.

MANAGER’S REPORT  None

REPORTS

FUTURE MEETINGS AND BUSINESS
Valley Branch Watershed District Meetings: February 13 and February 27, 2020 7:00 p.m.  President Lucas and Secretary Gelbmann will be absent at the February 13 meeting.

Washington County Water Consortium Meeting: February 5, 2-4 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS
None.

NEW BUSINESS
None.

FUTURE ITEMS
None.

ADJOURNMENT
Motion was made by Gelbmann and seconded by Marchan at 7:20 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Rick Gelbmann

Rick Gelbmann, Secretary

Minutes approved by managers 2-27-2020