

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF MANAGERS  
OF THE  
NINE MILE CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT**

**WEDNESDAY, April 15, 2026**

[Board Meeting Agenda](#) *(including links to packet materials)*  
[Board Meeting Recording](#)

**1. Call to Order**

President Larry Olson called the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District Board of Managers regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the NMCWD office, Discovery Point, 12800 Gerard Drive, Eden Prairie.

Managers Present: Larry Olson, Chris-Ann Lauria, Brian Kirk, Bob Cutshall, and Peggy Kvam.

Advisors Present: Janna Kieffer (Barr Engineering Co.) and Michael Welch (Smith Partners)

Staff Present: Erica Sniegowski (Administrator), Elizabeth Boor (Grant and Project Coordinator), Carrie Bush (Communications and Public Engagement Manager), Rashi DaSilva (Greencorps Member),\* Brett Eidem (Project and Planning Manager), Michelle Jordan (Administrative Specialist), Zach Stafslien (Regulatory Manager), Jordan Wein (Water Resources Project Manager), John Olsen (Field Intern), Gael Zembal (Education and Outreach Coordinator)\*

Guest Present: Louise Heffernan (Barr Engineering Co.),\* Mike Majeski (EOR),\* Michael\*

*\* attended virtually*

**2. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda**

**MOTION:** Manager Lauria moved, seconded by Manager Kirk, to approve the meeting agenda as presented. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

**3. Public Open Forum**

No members of the public spoke during the forum.

4. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. **Minutes, March 4, 2026, Board Workshop and Public Hearing**
  - b. **Minutes, March 18, 2026, Board Meeting**
  - c. **2025 Annual Report**
  - d. **2025 Annual Audit**
    - i. **2025 Governance Letter**
    - ii. **2025 Annual Audit**
  - e. **Insurance Liability Coverage Waiver**
  - f. **Cost Share Project Agreement**

**MOTION:** Manager Kvam moved, seconded by Manager Lauria, to approve the consent agenda as presented. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

5. **Action Items**

- a. **Hopkins Central Park Permit Application: 2026-015**

**MOTION:** Manager Lauria moved, seconded by Manager Cutshall, to approve permit application 2026-015 with the stipulations in the engineer's report. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

- b. **The Water Where We Live Collaborative Art Statement of Work**

**MOTION:** Manager Kvam moved, seconded by Manager Kirk, to authorize the administrator, on advice of counsel, to enter into a contract with Rectangle Designs LLC for not to exceed \$13,500 for arts-engaged projects and enhancing arts-related outreach in the watershed. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

- c. **Lynmar Basin Change Order**

**MOTION:** Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Lauria, to approve change order 5, which amends the contract with U.S. Sitework for the Lynmar Basin to extend the date for final completion to December 31, 2026, and to perform an additional year of vegetation maintenance with the subcontractor, Traverse de Sioux, through the 2026 growing season, for not to exceed \$9,900. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

- d. **Bush Lake Vegetation Management**

**MOTION:** Manager Lauria moved, seconded by Manager Kvam, to authorize the administrator, on advice of counsel, to enter into the cooperative agreement as presented with the City of Bloomington and Three Rivers Park District, with such not-material changes as may be necessary to effect the intent of the board, for continued management of shoreline vegetation at Bush Lake; and authorize the

administrator, on advice of counsel, to execute a contract with Davey Resource Group, with such not-material changes as may be necessary to effect the intent of the board, for 2026-2028 shoreline vegetation management at Bush Lake for not to exceed \$121,405. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

**6. Treasurer's Report**

**MOTION:** Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Cutshall, to accept the treasurer's report and authorize payment of the bills as presented. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

**7. Discussion Items**

**a. Sediment Treatment Updates**

Janna Kieffer updated the board on work to identify next steps for sediment treatment on watershed lakes.

**b. Anderson Lakes Protection Framework Draft Report**

Ms. Kieffer and Jordan Wein presented a draft of the Anderson Lakes Protection Framework report. A final report will be brought before the board for consideration in May.

**c. South Fork Update**

Brett Eidem updated the board on work to secure site access for implementing the project.

**d. Minnesota Watersheds Request for Resolutions**

Erica Sniegowski introduced the annual request from Minnesota Watersheds for proposed resolutions.

**8. Updates**

**a. Administrator's Report**

**b. Staff Reports**

**c. Administratively Approved Permits & Inspection Report**

**d. Engineer's Report**

**e. Attorney's Report**

**g. Managers' Reports**

9. **Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Manager Lauria moved, seconded by Manager Kirk, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



[Chris-Ann Lauria \(May 28, 2026 12:40:42 CDT\)](#)

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Chris-Ann Lauria, Secretary