

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025

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

Managers Absent: N/A

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

Staff Present: Erica Sniegowski (Administrator), Michelle Jordan (Administrative Specialist), Gael Zembal (Education & Outreach Coordinator), Brett Eidem (Project and Planning Manager), Carrie Bush (Communications and Public Engagement Manager), Rashi DaSilva (Greencorps Member), Cynthia Rubio (Watershed Technician and Jordan Wein (Water Resources Project Manager)

Guest Present: Dave Hanson, Bob Simons, Renee Clark, and Bryan Gruidl (City of Bloomington) and Jen Desrude and Deric Deuschle (SEH), and Michael*

** attended virtually*

2. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda

MOTION: Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Kvam, 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 of the December 17, 2025 Board Meeting**

b. **Cost-Share Grants**

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

5. **Action Items**

a. **Houston Engineering Scope of Work for MS4FRONT Updates**

MOTION: Manager Kvam moved, seconded by Manager Kirk, to authorize the administrator, on advice of counsel, to amend the existing contract with Houston Engineering for an amount not to exceed \$9,050 to complete permitting module changes to MS4Front. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

6. **Treasurer's Report**

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

7. **Discussion Items**

a. **Nine Mile Creek Corridor Presentation and Discussion**

City of Bloomington staff and consultants presented updates on the Nine Mile Creek Corridor Renewal project.

b. **Review Draft Employee Policy Manual**

Erica Sniegowski presented draft updates to the employee policy manual. The administrator will bring a final draft with revisions as directed by the managers to the board for adoption in February.

c. **Review Draft Governance Manual**

Michael Welch presented draft updates to the governance manual. The administrator and counsel will bring a final draft with revisions as directed by the managers to the board for adoption in February.

d. Anderson Lakes Presentation and Discussion

Engineer Kieffer and consultant Katie Turpin-Nagel presented an assessment of management strategies for submerged aquatic invasive plants and cattails for the Anderson Lakes. Next steps include a public hearing to consider herbicide treatment of submerged aquatic invasive plants, and further discussion of cattail management options. Management strategies for water-level equalization of Southeast Anderson Lake will be brought before the Board at a future meeting.

8. Updates

- a. **Administrator's Report**
- b. **Staff Reports**
- c. **Administratively Approved Permits & Inspection Report**
- d. **Engineer's Report**
- e. **Attorney's Report**
- c. **Managers' Reports**

9. Adjournment

MOTION: Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Lauria, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



Chris-Ann Lauria (Feb 20, 2026 12:55:29 CST)

Chris-Ann Lauria, Secretary