

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2017

Call to Order

Chair Kloiber called the special meeting of the Board of Managers of the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District to order at 5:32 p.m., Thursday, February 2, 2017, at the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District Office, 12800 Gerard Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55346.

Managers Present: Twele, Lynch, Kloiber, and Peterson

Managers Absent: None.

Advisors Present: Michael Welch, Janna Kieffer, Erica Sniegowski, and Randy Anhorn

Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Authorization to Execute BWSR Clean Water Grant Fund Grant Agreement and Execute Funds

Education and Outreach Coordinator Sniegowski stated that grant funds have been awarded to the District and action is needed from the Board to authorize Administrator Anhorn to execute the agreement. She stated that the Board will also need to approve the expenditure of funds. She stated that the grant is in the amount of \$83,390 with the District's match of \$20,835 and the Board would simply need to authorize the expenditure for the matching funds.

Manager Lynch moved, seconded by Manager Twele, to authorize Administrator Anhorn to accept and execute the grant agreement and approve the expenditure of funds as discussed. Upon a vote, the motion carried.

Nine Mile Creek Watershed Management Plan Development

A. Review and Discuss Chapter 6 – Implementation Program

Administrator Anhorn stated that tonight they will continue to review and discuss the Plan's Implementation section. He stated that staff reviewed the prioritization rankings submitted by the Board, staff and the TAC and will review those results with the Board.

Engineer Kieffer thanked the Board for completing the prioritization ranking, noting that it was beneficial to have received everyone's feedback and the information was used to determine a low, medium, or high rating for each of implementation items. She reviewed the items with the Board to determine if any changes should be made and the role the District should take.

The Board provided input on the role the District should take on certain tasks and where items should be categorized.

The Board and staff discussed the permit fees and possible amendment after the plan is completed.

Engineer Kieffer continued to review the different ratings given to the items by the different groups that completed the prioritization, with the Board providing input on how the item should ultimately be ranked.

Chair Kloiber noted that although there are many things included in the plan the focus should remain on doing the top few items well to ensure that the District does not become overburdened.

- B. Introduce Draft Chapter 7 and 8 (Local and City Water Management and Plan Development, Review, and Amendment)**
- C. Next Steps/Meeting**

Administrator Anhorn stated that staff will make the discussed changes to chapter six. He stated that staff will bring the draft for chapters seven and eight to the next meeting. He stated that the goal had been for the Board to approve the draft plan in March for the 60-day review period. He asked if a workshop should be scheduled for early March or whether the Board should determine if a March workshop will be needed later in the timeline.

Chair Kloiber stated that the March 2nd workshop could be left on the agenda but may not be needed. He did not feel like chapters seven and eight would be that controversial.

Attorney Welch noted that the March workshop would be another opportunity for the Board to review the draft plan.

It was the consensus of the Board to keep the March 2nd workshop as scheduled.

Attorney Welch explained that chapter seven is an interface between how the watershed plan and the water management plans of the cities interact. He stated that chapter eight deals with the amendment process. He noted that both chapters are somewhat mechanical.

Adjournment

It was moved by Manager Peterson, seconded by Manager Twele, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Upon a vote, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Corrine Lynch, Secretary

ATTACHMENTS:
Treasurer's Report

