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MEMO

TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers
FROM: Erica Sniegowski
DATE: April 13, 2021
RE: Program & Project Manager's Report for the April 2021 Board Meeting

Project Updates

Normandale Lake

- Updated interpretive signs were installed by Bloomington on April 12th
- Boat launch sign is being printed; should be installed by next week
- Working with legal counsel on WSB carp management agreement
- Summarized the Normandale survey responses (memo included in board packet)
- Worked with Barr and legal counsel to coordinate herbicide treatment RFQ; received quotes for herbicide treatment (memo regarding herbicide treatment included in board packet)

Nonprofit BMP Project

- Received maintenance proposal for the nonprofit raingardens from Metro Blooms (memo in board packet)

Discovery Point Restoration and Maintenance

Minnesota Native Landscapes has completed buckthorn removal and select tree removal in Phase 3. Seeding in the buckthorn removal area and installation of erosion control is also complete. Tree and shrub planting and seeding of the fescue area has not occurred yet.

Change Order Number 1 was issued for the Building Addition Raingarden and Ecological Restoration Project (Phase 3) for additional sedimentation log to accommodate the District's erosion control permit and an update to the seed mix due to seed availability. This



resulted in a change in contract price of \$1,600, which was administratively approved.

Minnesota Native Landscapes has submitted their first invoice for work done on Phase 3.

Program Updates

Education & Outreach Program

- Attended turfgrass fertilizer advisory committee meeting
- Attended salt symposium and salt symposium award committee meetings
 - The awards committee is seeking nominations for the salt symposium environmental leadership awards. You can nominate individuals and organizations at: <https://fortinconsulting.com/2021-symposium/>.
- The Edina streambank restoration interpretive sign was delivered to the city for installation at Walnut Ridge Park.

Cost Share Grant Program

- Reviewed stewardship grants
- Prepared for cost share grant review with Lauren
- Coordinated and led CAC and staff review of stewardship fund grants with Lauren
- Numerous communications with applicants
- Prepared grant recommendations for board (memo regarding staff grant recommendations in board packet)

Meetings

March 12	Meeting with St. Paul neighborhood association member
March 17	Board meeting
March 17	Salt symposium advisory committee meeting
March 19	Lynmar engagement planning meeting with City of Edina and Randy
March 19	Herbicide treatment discussion with Barr
March 22	Carp management meeting with WSB and City of Bloomington
March 22	Turfgrass fertilizer advisory committee meeting
March 24	Herbicide treatment discussion with Barr and Smith Partners
March 26-30	PTO
April 1	Board Workshop
April 6	Residential stewardship grant review meeting with CAC and staff
April 7	Stewardship grant meeting with staff and board representatives
April 8	Meeting with Connie Fortin regarding winter maintenance plan template
April 8	Meeting with Lake Forest Townhome Association about grants
April 8	Salt symposium awards committee meeting

Other Meetings

- All-staff meetings to check in and track progress (2-3 weekly)
- E/O check in meetings (1-2 weekly)
- Stewardship grant review prep meetings with Lauren