

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

**WEDNESDAY, August 19, 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), Brett Eidem (Project and Planning Manager), Michelle Jordan (Administrative Specialist), Jordan Wein (Water Resources Project Manager)

Guest Present: Michael Miller\*

*\* 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, July 15, 2026 Board Meeting**
- b. **Revised Minutes, June 17, 2026 Board Meeting**
- c. **Bush Lake Water Quality Report**

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

5. **Action Items**

- a. **Project Ordering: Southeast Anderson Outlet Modifications**

**MOTION:** Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Lauria, to adopt Resolution 26-06, Ordering the Southeast Anderson Outlet Modification Project. **On roll call vote, the motion carried 5-0.**

- b. **Coordinated Flood Management Plan: Watershed-wide XP-SWMM Model Updates**

**MOTION:** Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Lauria, to authorize Barr Engineering Co. to complete the watershed modeling update scope of work as presented for not-to-exceed \$38,000. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

6. **Treasurer's Report**

**MOTION:** Manager Kirk 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. **Draft 2027 Budget and Level Discussion**

Erica Sniegowski presented a draft 2027 budget and levy. The drafts will receive a public hearing at the September 2 board workshop, after which the board will consider adopting the budget and levy.

- b. **Water Management Plan Discussion**

Ms. Sniegowski stated that the development of the new watershed management plan is moving into implementation actions, and the managers provided input on their priorities in areas such as regulation, education and outreach, and capital improvements for staff to compile and utilize in preparing a draft implementation section for board review in a subsequent meeting.

**c. Rosland Filtration Vault Update**

Janna Keiffer reported that no bids were received for the project. The project will be sent out for bid again with more flexibility in timing in an effort to spur bids.

**d. Minnesota Watersheds Resolutions**

Ms. Sniegowski stated that Minnesota Watersheds membership will consider nine proposed resolutions at its virtual meeting to set priorities August 31. Brian Kirk and Bob Cutshall will participate in voting on the resolutions as the district's representatives. Michael Welch provided clarification on resolutions pertaining to shorelines, noting that they should also pertain to streambanks; encouraged support for a resolution securing state funding for aquatic invasive species prevention; and underscoring the need to clarify in state law that stormwater-reuse should not be subject to plumbing regulations.

**e. Advancing Careers and Employment Intern Presentation**

The managers viewed a video recording from Ahman Dye, who completed an internship with the watershed district through the Hopkins Advancing Careers and Employment program.

**8. Updates**

**a. Administrator's Report**

**b. Staff Reports**

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

**d. Engineer's Report**

**e. Attorney's Report**

**d. Managers' Reports**

Manager Cutshall announced that he will not be completing his term as a manager, and will be stepping down at the end of the year.

**9. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Manager Lauria moved, seconded by Manager Kirk, to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



Chris-Ann Lauria (Sep 17, 2026 12:33:58 CDT)

Chris-Ann Lauria, Secretary