

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

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

[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.

Advisors Present: Janna Kieffer and Gabby Campagnola (Barr Engineering), and Michael Welch (Smith Partners)

Staff Present: 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 Stafslie (Regulatory Manager)

Guest Present: Dan Lideen Levi Nelson, Steph Peters, Austin Shaw (Seagate Technology), Zach Moen (Loucks), Peter Leahy (BWBR),

2. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda

MOTION: Manager Kvam 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, June 3, 2026 Board Workshop

b. Minutes, June 17, 2026 Board Meeting

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

5. **Action Items**

a. **Bloomington Permit Application**

MOTION: Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Cutshall, to approve variance and permit application 2026-087 with the stipulations listed in the engineer's report. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

b. **Seagate Permit Application**

MOTION: Manager Kvam moved, seconded by Manager Cutshall, to approve variance and permit application 2026-074 with the conditions and stipulations listed in the engineer's report. Manager Chris-Ann Lauria noted her discomfort with approving a variance from compliance with NMCWD's low-floor requirement, given the organization's ongoing efforts to reduce risk of flood damage in the watershed. **Upon vote, the motion carried 4-0-1, Manager Lauria abstaining.**

c. **Minnesota Watersheds Delegate Selection**

MOTION: Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Cutshall, to appoint Bob Cutshall and Brian Kirk as delegates, and Larry Olson as alternate to the Minnesota Watersheds annual meeting on resolutions and petitions. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

d. **South Fork Nine Mile Creek Access Agreement Approval**

Michael Welch noted that he could not recommend authorization of the agreement given its assignment of contaminated-site liability to NMCWD without pursuing best practices in risk management. .

MOTION: Manager Kirk moved, seconded by Manager Kvam, to authorize the administrator, on advice of counsel, to enter into an access agreement with Enclave for the South Fork Nine Mile Creek streambank project. **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. **Rosland Filtration Vault Maintenance Update**

Janna Kieffer presented on maintenance needs and design modifications for the Rosland Park filtration vault. NMCWD will solicit bids for the project this week, with bids due August 7, and presented to the managers at the August regular board meeting.

b. **Intern Presentation**

The managers viewed a recorded summary of a summer internship by high school senior Osa Hanneman.

c. **Water Management Plan Discussion**

Led by Brett Eidem, the managers discussed updated draft goals for the new watershed management plan. Mr. Eidem anticipates the next discussion of the plan update will occur in September.

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 7:54 p.m. **Upon vote, the motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,



Chris-Ann Lauria (Aug 24, 2026 13:20:52 CDT)

Chris-Ann Lauria, Secretary