



LOWER MINNESOTA RIVER WATERSHED DISTRICT

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Board of Managers

Wednesday, June 2, 2021

Carver County Government Center, 602 East 4th Street, Chaska, MN 7:00 p.m.

Approved June 16, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

On Wednesday, June, 2021, at 7:10 PM, President Hartmann called to order the meeting of the Board of Managers of the Lower Minnesota River Watershed District (LMRWD). The meeting was convened on-line due to the health emergency created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

President Hartmann asked for roll call to be taken. The following Managers were present: President Jesse Hartmann, Manager Patricia Mraz, and Manager David Raby. In addition, the following joined the meeting: Linda Loomis, Naiad Consulting, LLC, LMRWD Administrator; Katy Thompson, Young Environmental Consulting Group, LLC (YECG), Technical Consultant; Jennifer Gora, Metropolitan Airport Commission; and John Bender, Project Manager, Westwood Professional Services. Manager Lauren Salvato was absent.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Administrator Loomis said there were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Manager Raby made a motion to approve the Agenda. The motion was seconded by President Hartmann. Upon a vote being taken the following voted in favor of the motion: Hartmann, Mraz, and Raby; the following voted against: None

3. CITIZEN FORUM

Administrator Loomis reported that she had not received communication from anyone that wished to address the Board.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Permits and Project Reviews

i. Jefferson Court - LMRWD No. 2021-018

Administrator Loomis said this project is in the City of Shakopee. She noted that Della Young, Young Environmental Consulting Group, was not joining the meeting and introduced Katy Thompson. She asked Ms. Thompson to explain the project to the Board.

Ms. Thompson explained that this project proposes to construct 8 single family residential homes and a new cul de sac in the City of Shakopee. She noted the development would trigger only the LMRWD Rule B - Sediment and Erosion Control. She noted that even though only Rule B is being triggered the applicant will also be providing stormwater

management due to city requirements. The development will be infiltrating stormwater and providing rate control and water quality benefits as part of the project.

She noted the application has been deemed complete and staff is recommending approval.

Manager Raby said the application seems pretty straightforward and he did not have any questions. Manager Mraz and President Hartmann said that did not have any questions either.

Manager Mraz made a motion to approve Jefferson Court - LMRWD permit No. 2021-018. The motion was seconded by Manager Raby. Upon a vote being taken the following voted in favor of the motion: Hartmann, Mraz and Raby; the following voted against: None.

ii. West 106th Street Improvement Project - LMRWD No. 2021-023

Administrator Loomis explained that this application is being made by the City of Bloomington. It is a transportation improvement project at 106th Street and Interstate 35W. She asked Ms. Thompson to walk the Board through the details of the project.

Ms. Thompson explained the details of the improvements being made. She noted that the project is being proposed by the City of Bloomington in conjunction with the Minnesota Department of Transportation so that it conforms to the overall design concepts for I35W. It is not in a High Value Resource area or a Steep Slope Zone.

The LMRWD requires a permit for this project because it is being developed with MNDOT,, even though the City does have permit authority on behalf of the District. The project is going to bid next month and therefore an expedited review by the LMRWD was requested. The project only triggers LMRWD Rule B. Staff had some outstanding questions at the time the Technical Memorandum for this application was prepared, which have since been addressed. Staff is recommending approval subject to receipt of the NPDES permit.

Manager Raby noted that this project is partially within the boundaries of the Nine Mile Creek Watershed District (NMCWD). He questioned whether or not a permit has been approved by NMCWD yet. Neither Administrator Loomis nor Ms. Thompson knew the answer to that question.

Manager Raby made a motion to approve West 106th Street Improvement Project - LMRWD Permit No. 2021-023. The motion was seconded by Manager Mraz. Upon a vote being taken the following voted in favor of the motion: Hartmann, Mraz and Raby; the following voted against: None.

Administrator Loomis noted that she had informed the Board that the County approved holding LMRWD meetings in-person in the County's Board Room. She has since spoken with Attorney Kolb, who advised that the Board meet virtually in June and take action to begin meeting in person beginning with the July 21, 2021 meeting. So the Board should plan on meeting virtually in June.

5. ADJOURN

At 7:21 pm, President Hartmann made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Manager Raby seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken the following voted in favor of the motion: Hartmann, Mraz and Raby the following voted against: None.

The next meeting of the LMRWD Board of Managers will be 7:00, Wednesday, June 16, 2021 and will be held at the Carver County Government Center, 602 East 4th Street, Chaska, MN. Electronic access will also be available.

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BOARD OF MANAGERS
WEDNESDAY, June 2, 2021
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Lauren Salvato, Secretary

Attest:

Linda Loomis, Administrator