



Tuesday, August 9, 2011

Prior Lake City Hall

3:00 PM

Members Present: Craig Gontarek, William Kallberg, William Schmokel, Greg Aamodt & Bruce Thorsen

Staff Present: Mike Kinney, District Administrator
Nat Kale, District Technician
Samantha Linman-Stunes, Water Resources Technician
Chuck Holtman, District Attorney, Smith Partners

Others Present: Jason Naber, EOR

1. **CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Meeting called to order by President Craig Gontarek at 3:00 PM.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Mike Kinney asked to have the TMDL Status Update moved to after the EOR Update. Manager Kallberg moved to approve the agenda with changes. Second by Manager Aamodt. All ayes.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Manager Aamodt moved to approve the consent agenda. Second by Manager Kallberg. All ayes.
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OLD / NEW BUSINESS:

MONTHLY PERMIT REPORT

Nat Kale gave an update as well as written information.

EDUCATION UPDATE

Written updates from MN Waters and SCWEP were provided. Mike Kinney also informed the Managers that in an upcoming budget meeting they would be discussing next year's budget for both SCWEP & MN Waters. He also expressed interest in holding a joint meeting with the SWCD Board to discuss SCWEP's involvement and next year's budget.

BUDGET SCHEDULE

Mike Kinney informed the Board that all of these items are items for consideration for the 2012 budget.

FOR UPDATES

Jason Naber gave general project status updates.

Iron Chloride Treatment System Assessment Update

Mike Kinney gave an explanation for the Iron Chloride upgrade. Shared that the numbers for the upgrade were estimates, but that he would like some direction from the Board on a number that could be used for the Budget. No number was settled on, but Manager Aamodt wanted to make sure it was noted that we are being “forced” into making these changes and that the Watershed District would rather be spending our money in other areas.

Upper Watershed Strategic Volume Control Sites

Mike Kinney gave an overview of the project. This project has multiple sources of funding. WREP and the CWL BWSR Grant, the 2 main sources. There was significant discussion about which basins to target, which projects were cost effective, what staff could effectively handle as far as workload and the amount of money that should be considered for the 2012 budget. Craig Gontarek motioned to have \$550,000 considered for the 2012 budget. Second by Manager Kallberg. Ayes by Managers Aamodt, Thorsen, Gontarek & Kallberg. Opposed by Manager Schmokel. Motion passed.

Five Hawks Elementary

Stormwater BMP Opportunities – Mike Kinney again gave a brief overview of the project and recommends the Board approve the first four projects, RG-1, RG-3, RG-4 and RG-5 for \$25,900. Manager Aamodt moved to approve the first four projects for consideration for the 2012 budget. Second by Manager Gontarek. All ayes.

Prior Lake Outlet Structure O&M Manual and Other Considerations

District Attorney, Chuck Holtman, had some questions with some of the wording in the manual and suggested some alternative language for the Board to consider at the September meeting. The manual approval will be tabled and brought back for consideration at the September Board meeting. As part of the “other considerations”, it was recommended that the District could have Remote Lake Level Monitoring on a free trial basis. This trial basis would allow the Watershed District to see if the monitoring equipment would be able to function inside the concrete structure. The Board gave its approval to go ahead with the free trial. No formal motion was made.

School District Stormwater BMP Site Investigation

Mike Kinney gave an overview of the memo provided which outlined BMP site investigations at the remaining school district sites. He explained that it would be similar to what was done with Five Hawks Elementary. Manager Kallberg moved for the estimated assessment cost of \$20,000 be considered for the 2012 budget. Second by Manager Aamodt. All ayes.

DISTRICT PROGRAMS & PROJECTS UPDATE

Written information was provided with updates.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

District Administrator, Mike Kinney, provided the monthly written report providing updates and general information. No questions.

MORLOCK LEGAL DISCUSSION

District Attorney, Chuck Holtman, recommends that the Board consider going into a closed session to discuss this matter. Manager Kallberg motioned to convene in closed session under attorney-client provision to discuss pending Morlock litigation and Board strategy toward possible resolution. Second by Manager Gontarek. All ayes.

Board convened in closes session.

Board reconvened in open session.

Public meeting adjourned at 5:35.

Bill Schmokel, Secretary