

**Prior Lake-Spring Lake Watershed District
Special Board Meeting/Budget and CIP Workshop, August 7, 2007
Prior Lake-Spring Lake District Offices
15815 Franklin Trail SE, Prior Lake, MN 5537**

Members Present: William Schmokel, William Kallberg, Craig Gontarek, Roger Wahl

Members Absent: Larry Mueller

Staff Present: Mike Kinney, District Administrator

1. CALL TO ORDER: President Schmokel called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none.

3. BUDGET AND CIP REVIEW

A) Administrator Kinney handed out a binder of material for board review. This material contained all relevant preliminary 2008 budget documents. Mike Kinney conducted a page by page review of these documents. Adjustments were offered to the Innovative Water Management element of the 509 budget, the In-Lake Phosphorus Management element of the 509 budget, and the Land Management – Construction & Maintenance element of the 509 budget. These adjustments resulted in an overall levy amount of \$718,000. Manager Schmokel said that he wanted to utilize some of the funds that had been built up so as to be able to reduce the overall tax impact on residents.

The overall 2008 budget for the General Fund was \$170,000, the 509 Implementation Fund was \$831,900, the Debt Service Fund was \$142,000, the Construction Fund was \$610,418, the Outlet Maintenance Fund was \$9,452 and the Milfoil Fund was \$0 for a total budget of \$1,764,400.

B) Mike summarized the CIP elements identified for 2008 and asked for Board feedback. The Board indicated their support for moving forward with the CIP elements as previously adopted. Mike indicated several changes in the anticipated dollar amounts identified for each area which included the commencement of an updated PLSLWD Water Resources Management Plan starting in 2008. The Board also reconfirmed their commitment to continuing with the projected segments of the Outlet Channel project as well as looking ahead to addressing upland control in the headwaters of the watershed.

4. OTHER OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A) Manager Kalberg brought up a question regarding the management of Spring Lake. He was interested in exploring the options for utilizing the weir at the outlet of Spring Lake that leads to Upper Prior Lake as a control point for adding possible storage capacity to the overall lake systems. Manager Schmokel pointed out the requirement of needing a permit and that such action would negatively add to the liability of the

District in the event of a large influx of water and subsequent flooding of property. No further discussed ensued.

- B) Mike Kinney brought up the recent discovery that after meeting with landowner Klamm of segment 2, the District actually owns 50 ft of easement throughout all of segment 2, with the exception of the portion that is currently in a pipe under Co Rd 42, rather than the previously assumed 30 feet. This additional easement area provides the necessary working area to complete the project work of this segment.

5. ADJORN: The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

William Schmokel, President

William Kallberg, Vice President