

# Sauk River Watershed District

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Regular Meeting  
Approved  
October 19, 2004

President Cook called the meeting to order. Managers present: Cook, Hensley, Hunstiger, Kral, Kutter, Mostad, Rettig and Schmidt. Manager absent: Kuseske. No Advisory Board Members were present: Also present: John Kolb, Attorney; Julie Klocker, Administrator; Starla Arceneau, Office Administrator.

President Cook read the Oath of Office to Manager Kral. Manager Kral signed the Oath of Office.

The proposed agenda was reviewed. A motion was made by Manager Rettig to approve the agenda. Manager Kutter seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

The board reviewed the minutes of the October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. The board approved the minutes by general consent.

The board reviewed the treasurer's report. Manager Rettig then made a motion to approve the treasurer's report comprised of checks 13384 through 13438. Manager Kutter seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

Administrator Klocker reviewed possible options for the 210<sup>th</sup> Street Project. After considerable discussion Manager Hensley made a motion to look into purchasing land from Tom Williamson. Manager Rettig seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor. The Board directed Administrator Klocker to write a letter to Mr. Williamson to inquire about his willingness to sell.

Ron Ringquist attended the meeting to review the draft appraisers report for the Weed Harvest Project. Ringquist compared the parcels from the first Sauk Lake Weed Harvest Project and the Sauk Lake Dam Phase II Project and discovered discrepancies between the two projects. Attorney Kolb recommended Managers on the Weed Harvester Committee and Ringquist meet with Kolb to review the differences and report back to the Board.

Administrator Klocker reviewed the recommended ditch maintenance Assessments. Manager Mostad made a motion to approve the recommended ditch assessments. Manager Kutter seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

Administrator Klocker informed the board that the ditch benefits of Ditch 17 are not updated and has met with Dennis Kron from Stearns County to ask for updated ditch benefits on all the ditches that were turned over to the District. Kron said that the County does not have the updated benefits and that the District will have to go back to the old ditch records to get the information or do a Redetermination of Benefits.

Administrator Klocker reviewed the carp traps that Gene Harren installed at the JD2 sediment ponds. The Board discussed next steps to handling the repairs and improvements on the sediment ponds. Manager Schmidt made a motion to appoint Bonestroo as the firm to coordinate the construction. The motion died with a lack of second. Manager Kutter then made a motion submit to have Administrator Klocker develop a request for engineering proposals in order to appoint an engineering firm to facilitate

the project bidding and construction. Manager Hensley seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

Manager Hensley posted signs that state "No hunting without written permission" by the Sediment Ponds. Lloyd and Mike Gettel and Darren and Chub Hensley would like written permission to hunt. Manager Mostad made a motion to grant hunting permission to the four gentlemen from September 1 to January 1. Manger Rettig seconded. The motion passed with 8 in favor and 1 against.

President Cook reviewed the 2004-2005 Committee's and has asked each committee to meet and delegate a chair and set their meeting dates.

The calendar was reviewed. Administrator Klocker will be meeting with Spring Hill Township on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Administrator Klocker asked for permission to appoint Inter-Fluve as the firm to conduct the study if the Spring Hill Township Board agrees to pay for 50% of the cost. Manager Schmidt moved to allow Klocker to appoint Inter-Fluve if Spring Hill Township contributes. Manager Kutter seconded. The motion passed with all in favor. Administrator Klocker and Attorney Kolb will be setting up a 2 ½ hour Board workshop in mid November.

The board discussed purchasing photo software to update pictures for the Website. Manager Schmidt made a motion to purchase the software not to exceed \$600. Manager Hunstiger seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

State Revolving Funds were reviewed for Boards approval. Manager Hunstiger made a motion to approve the allocated dollars. Manager Schmidt seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

Attorney Report was given by Attorney Kolb. Kolb reviewed the Memorandum on Liability.

Brian and Julie Klocker submitted a petition to remove their property from the County Ditch 17 Benefited property list.

President Cook reviewed the Healthy Community Partnership upcoming show case.

Manager Hunstiger made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Manager Schmidt seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

Secretary, Ed Hunstiger  
Recording Secretary, Starla Arceneau