



Regular Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, October 25, 2016

Located at: Sauk River Watershed District Office 6:00 p.m.

Managers Present:	Lee Bautch, Tyler Carlson, Gary Barber, Gene Rasmusen, Dennis Ritter, Jason Scherping, John Magedanz
Staff Present:	Scott Henderson, Administrator; John Kolb, Attorney; Jon Roeschlein, Ditch & Permit Coordinator; Rebecca Carlson, Engineer
Guests Present:	Karl Meyer, Dean Meyer, Jim Wehlage, Dave Bertram, Joyce Bertram, Eric Dehmer
Manager's Absent:	Duane Willenbring

1. The meeting was called to order by President Ritter at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. There was a moment of silence for Manager Larry Kuseske, who passed away on October 15, 2016.
2. **Additions/corrections to the agenda items** – President Ritter asked for corrections or additions to the agenda. **Manager Bautch made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Manager Barber. The motion passed with all in favor.**
3. **Consent Agenda**
 - a. **Financial Reports/Meeting Minutes**
 1. Checks for September
 2. Receipt Book
 3. Revenue Guideline
 4. Cash Balances
 5. Expenditure Report
 6. September 20, 2016, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

b. Appropriations

<i>Payee</i>	<i>Description of Payment</i>	<i>\$ Amount</i>	<i>Fund</i>
Wenck	2015/2016 Permit Review	\$767.00	101
Wenck	CD 26 Phase I & II	\$796.00	550
Wenck	Stearns CD 11	\$2,019.90	525
Wenck	Crooked Lake 2016	\$10,326.16	337
Rinke Noonan	Retainer	\$600.00	101



Rinke Noonan	County Ditch 9 Repair	\$151.20	520
Rinke Noonan	Stearns CD 11 Repair	\$472.50	525
Rinke Noonan	Pope/Stearns JD 1 Repair	\$226.80	505
Rinke Noonan	Pope CD 6 Repair	\$226.80	515
Rinke Noonan	Stearns CD 19 Redetermination of Benefits	\$56.70	540
Rinke Noonan	Stearns CD Zion-Munson Ditch Redetermination of Benefits	\$56.70	565
Rinke Noonan	Pope CD 11 Repair	\$226.80	510

c. District Permits –

1. St. Cloud Cold Storage 16-035
2. River’s Bend Plat 3 16-036

Manager Carlson made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Manager Bautch. The motion passed with all in favor.

4. Open Discussion from the Public – None

5. Reports

a. Administrator’s Report – Administrator Scott Henderson

1. JD2 Water Quality Project – Rebecca Carlson, Engineer, gave a presentation of alternative projects to do in the Lake Osakis Area to achieve load reduction goals listed in the TMDL study. One effective alternative was to enlarge the sediment ponds and do alum dosing. This would achieve the reduction goals needed. There was discussion on the costs associated and the benefits of doing so. More information will be brought to the November meeting.

2. BWSR Recognition – Administrator Henderson presented the plaque given to the District at the 30th Anniversary Celebration from the Board of Water and Soil Resources.

3. MAWD Annual Meeting & Tradeshow – Administrator Henderson pointed out the MAWD 2016 Annual Meeting and Trade show information packet. Henderson asked that any board members let him know if they plan to attend.

4. Buffer Discussion – Administrator Henderson discussed with the board that Watershed District or County will need to be the enforcement authority for the Buffer Law and Implementation. It’s decided on a



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county by county basis and needs to be decided by March 31, 2017. Thus far, Pope County has asked that the District do compliance checks and enforcement on the public drainage systems that we have and nothing else; Todd County has said that they don't want the District to do any enforcement at all; Douglas hasn't mentioned anything yet; Meeker doesn't need the District to enforce due to the small portion of Meeker within the District; Stearns County has not decided yet but will be discussing it at a meeting in November.

5. Vehicle Discussion – Administrator Henderson informed the board that the 2006 Chevy Silverado was taken in to be checked and was told that it had a problem deep in the engine that would be costly to find and fix and because of the mileage on it, that it may not be cost effective. Henderson asked the board what they would like him to do and explained that the District has been budgeting for replacement vehicles when the time came. **Manager Carlson made a motion to authorize the Administrator to purchase a new vehicle. The motion was seconded by Manager Scherping. The motion passed with all in favor.**

6. December Meeting – Administrator Henderson asked the board if they would like to move the December meeting to earlier in the afternoon and having a holiday supper immediately following. **Manager Barber made a motion to begin the December 20th, 2016 Board Meeting at 3 p.m. The motion was seconded by Manager Bautch. The motion passed with all in favor.**

b. Manager's Report

1. MAWD Succession Planning – No Discussion

2. Osakis AIS Meeting – Manager Barber stated that he's received numerous calls from landowners on all ends of the lake finding Zebra Mussels.

6. Items for Next Meeting Agenda

a. JD 2 water quality

7. Upcoming Meetings to be Announced

a. Regular Board Meetings

1. Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. – Regular Meeting

2. Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at 3:00 pm. – Regular Meeting

8. Adjourn Regular Board Meeting – **Manager Bautch made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Manager Barber. The motion passed with all in favor.**



Drainage Meeting MINUTES

1. The Drainage Authority meeting was called to order by President Ritter at 7:10 p.m.
2. **Additions/corrections to the agenda item** – President Ritter asked if there were changes or additions to the agenda. **Manager Barber made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Manager Carlson. Motion passed with all in favor.**
3. **Open Discussion from the Public** – None
4. **Reports**
 - a. **Stearns CD 9** –
 1. **Landowner Meeting** – Administrator Henderson and Jon Roeschlein, Ditch and Permit Coordinator, discussed a meeting they had with some concerned landowners on CD 9 in regards to doing a redetermination of benefits prior to doing any repairs to the ditch system. The landowners are hoping for a less expensive way to do redeterminations. Roeschlein stated that a new process being discussed with the Drainage Work Group called the Runoff Based Drainage Project, however, according to John Kolb, Attorney, that process may be a few years out, if it comes out at all. Another option is that H2Over viewers has been doing redeterminations much cheaper and quicker. This may or may not change the distribution in a way the people along the ditch would like.
 2. **Tile Failure** – Administrator Henderson stated that he got a call from John Funk stating that his combine had broken through a tile. There are numerous failures on this tile. The District has fixed a location south of these collapses. **Manager Carlson made a motion to fix the tile failure. The motion was seconded by Manager Magedanz. The motion passed with all in favor.** Attorney Kolb instructed staff and the board to host a public hearing at the November meeting to halt the repair proceedings and move on a redetermination of benefits.
 3. **Cost of Alternative Repairs** – Not Discussed.
 - b. **Stearns CD 11** –
 1. **Viewers First Meeting and Oath** – Administrator Henderson informed the board that staff is preparing information to send over to H2Over Viewers.
 - c. **Stearns CD 26**



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1. **Repair Schedule** – Rebecca Carlson, Engineer, informed the board that Blackstone will be back to finish the last bit of work once the ground freezes, probably in December/January.
 - d. **Stearns CD 51**
 1. **Repair Schedule** – Carlson stated they are still trying to set something up with Geise. They would like him to get in to finish his work in November, once the crops are off. Blackstone will then come in and spread the spoils as needed.
 - e. **Stearns/Pope JD 1**
 1. **Engineer's Preliminary Report** – Attorney Kolb suggested that the board of managers read the Engineer's Reports for JD 1, CD 6 and CD 11, and submit any questions to the Administrator and Ditch & Permit Coordinator before the next meeting. Administrator Henderson suggested the board think about combining Pope ditches JD 1, CD 6 and CD 11 since they all rely on each other.
 - f. **Pope CD 6**
 1. **Engineer's Preliminary Report**
 - g. **Pope CD 11**
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 - h. **Zion Munson and CD 19**
 1. **Redetermination of Benefits** – Henderson stated that H2Over viewers has already come down and viewed CD 19 and will be back soon to view Zion Munson.
 - i. **Ditch Coordinator's Report**
 1. **Ditch Funding** – Ditch and Permit Coordinator, Jon Roeschlein, presented a draft worksheet of financial information on each ditch to be used annually to determine whether or not an assessment needs to be certified and in what amount it should be certified for.
 5. **Items for Next Meeting Agenda** –
 - a. **Pope CD 6, CD 11, and Stearns/Pope JD 1 – Preliminary Engineering Report**
 - b. **Possible Ditch Assessments for 2017**
 - c. **Public Hearing for Stearns CD 9**
 6. **Upcoming Meetings to be Announced**
 - a. **Other Meetings**
 1. **MN Viewers Assoc. meeting – Jackpot Junction**



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7. **Adjournment of Drainage Authority Meeting – Manager Bautch made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Manager Magedanz. The motion passed with all in favor.**