

Sauk River Watershed District

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Regular Meeting

Approved

August 7, 2007

Vice -President Kral called the meeting to order. Managers present: Coughlin, Hetland, Hensley, Kral, Kuseske, Rettig, Robinson and Mostad. Manager absent: Kutter. Others in attendance were Eden Valley Residents, Brent Johnson, Houston Engineering, Carrie Raber Stearns County SWCD Urban Conservationist, Jerry VonKorff, Attorney; Lowell Enerson, Administrator; Noah Czech, Permit Inspector and Starla Arceneau, Recording Secretary.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The minutes of the July 17th, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Manager Robinson made a motion to approve the July 17th minutes. Manager Hensley requested tabling the minutes to address possible additions. Manager Robinson withdrew his motion. Manager Hensley then made a motion to table the minutes until the next meeting to address possible additions to the minutes. Manager Coughlin seconded it with the request that Manager Hensley submits in writing his additions for the board to review. The motion passed with all in favor.

The board reviewed the treasurer's report. Manager Coughlin made a motion to approve checks 16610 thru 16667. Manager Robinson seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

Brent Johnson from Houston Engineering gave a PowerPoint Presentation informing several Eden Valley benefited landowners the status of the Eden Valley Project. Landowners were given an opportunity to address the board. A majority of those present that voted were opposed to the project. Administrator Enerson thanked the landowners for their comments.

Carrie Raber, Stearns County SWCD's Urban Conservationist gave a brief introduction on how Stearns County SWCD can help with the water quality practices in Eden Valley.

The SWCD Engineering Contract for Engineering services was reviewed. Manager Coughlin made a motion to sign the contract with a stipulation that the SWCD carry their own liability insurance. Manager Robinson seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

The calendar and activity report was reviewed.

The JD1 Maintenance Amendment was reviewed. Manager Rettig made a motion to approve the amendment to permit # 07-13. Manager Kuseske seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

An Extension Permit for CD 9 was reviewed. Manager Robinson made a motion to approve the permit with conditions. Manager Kral seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

The board reviewed State Revolving Funds #05-210, #05-211, & #05-212. Manager Mostad made a motion to approve SRF #05-210, #05-211 & #05-212. Manager Hensley seconded it. The motion passed with all in favor.

The Rules Committee will meet with the Citizen Advisory Committee on August 8th at 2:00 PM at the District office to review the District's proposed rules.

Manager Robinson gave an update on the TMDL/Water Quality Committee meeting. The committee has asked Jim Klang to attend the September 4th meeting to give a ten minute presentation on Carlson Credit Trading.

The appreciation dinner for Kay Cook will be held after the September 18th meeting.

Administrator Enerson reviewed allocating \$500 to pay for a college intern's mileage and expenses to compile a willingness to pay survey for Resorts and public accesses. Manager Robinson made a motion to allocate \$500 of interest or grant dollars to cover the intern's expenses. Manger Coughlin seconded it. The motion passed with Manager Hensley opposing.

Manager Robinson asked if the board should discuss the Health Savings Accounts (HSA). The board will address the HSA's at the next regular meeting.

The meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, Virgil Rettig
Recording Secretary, Starla Arceneau