

Middle St. Croix Watershed Management Organization
Washington Conservation District
May 9, 2013

Present: Dan Kylo, West Lakeland Township; Nancy Anderson, St. Mary's Point; Brian Zeller, Lakeland; Cindie Rieter, Lake St. Croix Beach; Dave Zanmiller, Lakeland Shores; Susan St. Ores, Bayport; Mike Polehna, Stillwater; John Felleggy, Baytown Township; and Amy Husveth, Administrator.

Call to Order – Regular Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the April 11, 2013 minutes was made by Mr. Kylo, seconded by Mr. Zanmiller. The motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Kylo presented the treasurer's report. He reported that the remaining checking account balance was \$206,704.48. Mr. Kylo reported that the ending balance in the RBC savings account was \$84,033.48. The ending 4M balance is \$31,982.15. Bills to be approved this month are all for Washington Conservation District. The amounts are \$1,375.00, \$618.00, \$6,489.50, \$457.56, \$6,531.50.

Ms. Rieter, seconded by Ms. Anderson, moved to approve the treasurer's report and pay the bills presented. The motion carried.

Public Comments

None.

Review of MSCWMO Plan Update

Review of authorized tasks to date – We have taken a look at what has been approved so far for the Plan update. That task list was distributed. Additional tasks for consideration were highlighted on the list.

Subcommittee Appointments – David Beudet was on the subcommittee when he was a member of the Board. Administrator Husveth feels it would be a good idea to appoint another member in his place. Ms. St. Ores has offered to be on the subcommittee.

DiaSorin/Valley Ridge Mall CWF Grant Agreements

These projects are being funded through a BWSR Clean Water Grant. We are in receipt of the Agreements for approval. Concepts for the projects were available for the Board. This project will include raingardens to capture stormwater runoff, which will be used for irrigation for DiaSorin. As soon as the Agreement is signed, 50% of the amount will be paid to the landowner. When that is spent, another 40% of the amount will be paid. The final 10% payment will be made when the project is complete. Ms. Rieter made a motion to approve signing the Agreements. Ms. Anderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Additional Water Monitoring at McKusick Lake Outlet

Capitol Region Watershed District has several automatic samplers that they do not need anymore. We have the opportunity to acquire one at no cost. Administrator Husveth feels it would be a good idea to use it at the outlet of McKusick Lake. Mr. Zeller made a motion to approve acquiring the equipment. Mr. Fellegy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Stillwater Recognition

Administrator Husveth received notice from Conservation Minnesota that the City of Stillwater was going to be spotlighted as a Minnesota Legacy Destination City. The award is recognition for the effective use of 2008 grant funds.

City of Bayport Raingarden Clean Up Event

There will be a clean-up event on May 29th for the raingardens that were installed in 2011. The event will take place from 3:00-7:00.

2012 Draft Water Monitoring Report

Administrator Husveth has received the draft 2012 report. Erik Anderson will be at the June meeting to present the “State of the Water” report.

St. Croix National Heritage Area

There is an initiative right now to make the St. Croix watershed a national heritage area. A summit will be held on the program on May 16th. Information was included in the packet.

BMP Cost Share Program, New Applications

1220 4th Ave S, Stillwater, MN – This is a raingarden project for new construction. The project scored a 36 on our ranking system. The total project cost will be around \$1,500.00, so the amount requested is the \$500.00 maximum. Administrator Husveth recommends approval of the cost-share application. Ms. St. Ores made a motion to approve the application. Ms. Rieter seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Plan Reviews/Submittals

City of Stillwater Street Improvement Project – The City of Stillwater has submitted their plans for 2013 street improvement projects. It did meet policy and performance standards with the exception of a couple items, which Administrator Husveth pointed out in her reply letter. Mr. Kylo made a motion to approve the comment letter as presented, for it to be sent to the City of Stillwater. Mr. Zeller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

641 Quixote Ave Project, Lakeland, MN – Comments have been issued to the landowner. The project is a home teardown and rebuild. Due to the projects proximity to the bluffline, this project will qualify for full review by MSCWMO. They are meeting the requirements of the WMO, so Administrator Husveth would like approval to continue working with City staff. A motion to approve going forward was made by Mr. Polehna and seconded by Mr. Kylo. Motion carried.

DiaSorin Project – We have reviewed the stormwater pollution prevention plan. There will not be erosion related issues with the project as it moves forward. Administrator Husveth recommends that the comment letter be approved. A motion to approve the comment letter was made by Ms. Rieter. Seconded by Mr. Fellegly. Motion carried.

Administrators Report

A written report was provided.

Other Agenda Items

None.

Adjourn

Mr. Kyllö moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:01PM, seconded by Mr. Polehna. Motion carried.