Middle Fork Crow River Watershed District
Board of Managers Meeting
October 2nd, 2012
174 Lake Avenue North
Spicer, MN 56288


1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman R. Hodapp at 7:00 pm.
2. The District Mission statement “We exist for the preservation of water quality in the Middle Fork Crow River Watershed District” was read by Chairman Hodapp.
3. A motion was made by G. Behm and seconded by B. Wing to approve the agenda with the addition of 12.c.7. Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Spicer. The motion was approved 5-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Approve the September 12th minutes.
5. Treasurer’s Report
6. October bills to pay
7. Permit #12-17: McCulley Ice Ridge
8. Permit #12-18: Harrison Township Breezy Point Road Improvement
10. Permit #12-20 Lippert Home Construction

A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by G. Behm to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed 5-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

11. Michaelis Shoreline Show-Cause Hearing (Contact K-1-08)-The Board meeting was recessed at 7:02 for the hearing. The WD has two options of recessing the hearing and deciding an outcome or to recess the hearing and postpone a decision to the next meeting. V. Glieden-Henjum presented information within the “Order Directing Restoration and Maintenance” as part of the 2008 Cost Share Agreement (see document). R. Michaelis presented his impressions of the problems with the project: one of the first shoreline restoration projects performed by the WD; too many woodchips and the plastic blanket. The Board reviewed the information presented and expressed their concerns to R. Michaelis. J. Kolb requested that R. Michaelis either restore the project or reimburse the WD funds; Mr. Michaelis stated he will review his options with his spouse and inform the WD office of his decision. The hearing was recessed till the November meeting at which time J. Kolb will present an order for restoration or repayment of District funds to R. Michaelis. The Board meeting resumed at 7:42.

12. Administrator’s Report:

12.a. Review of Calendar: October 5th-Watercraft Inspection season summary by the DNR in St Paul; 9th-Harrison Township meeting; 10th-MWRPP meeting in St Michaels; 11th University of MN Water Resources meeting; 23rd-MWRPP meeting; 24th & 25th Erosion Control Inspection Training and MWRPP meeting; 28th BWSR Academy. November 6th is Election Day and the WD Board meeting will be rescheduled.
12.b. Review of Project Status-

12.b.1. 319 Stormwater Final Report includes the installation of 6 grit chambers, Park Lane Resort stabilization and other community projects which removed several pounds of phosphorus per year.
12.b.2. BWSR Green Lake Stormwater Project- T. O’Malley, property owner met with the WD discussing the potential installation of this project in Irving Township. The Township property would be impacted the most.
12.b.3. MWRPP Public Meeting update- A Nest Lake water quality report prepared by Wenck Associates report stated that water quality leaving Monongalia Lake is quite good. Some areas of concern may be originating in subwatersheds between New London and Nest Lake. The bulk of the phosphorus loading in the lake appears to be internal.
12.c. Administrative matters

12.c.1. K-3-12-A motion was made by G. Behm and seconded by R. Schaefer to approve payment for K-3-12 Bertram Shoreline project of up to $12,930.54 of a project estimated at $15,000. The motion passed 5-0. The project has been completed to the approval of the property owners and WD staff.

12.c.2. K-9-12 –Myer Shoreline project was presented by V. Glieden-Henjum. She stated that the retaining wall will stay due to the high cost of removal. The overall cost is estimated at $14,300 with the WD cost share of $10,725. A motion was made by W. Wing and seconded by J. Flanders to approve up to $10,725 for the Myer K-9-12 project. The motion passed 5-0.

12.c.3. K-10-12 Cassmann Shoreline project was presented by V. Glieden-Henjum. The Cassmann’s met with Minnesota Native Landscapes to finalize a contract for project improvement and maintenance. An estimated cost of $6,000 with the WD cost share at $4,500. A motion was made by R. Schaefer and seconded by G. Behm to approve up to $4,500. The motion passed 5-0.

12.c.4. November Board meeting will be changed to November 5th Monday due to elections.

12.c.5. Kandiyohi County AIS Task Force-C. Anderson and R. Schaefer were asked to serve on the task force which consists of local businesses, county, lake associations. The meeting was attended by some of our current legislators. The Task Force is in the early stages of organization.

12.c.6. Flex Plan Update Form-CDS Administrative Services stated that the new fee will be $150.

12.c.7. Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Spicer-The City of Spicer will not be able to provide utilities to the new building site at this time. J. Kolb provided a Letter of Understanding stating that the WD would install their own utilities with the understanding that in the instance the City changes its mind, the WD would not be required to hook up to City utilities for 10 years from the time the Certificate of Occupancy is issued. This Memorandum would allow the WD to sign the Purchase Agreement and complete the Title Agreement. A motion was made by G. Behm and seconded by J. Flanders to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. The motion passed 5-0.

12.d. Follow up on August administrative matters


13. Legal Counsel Report-J. Kolb and K. Van Bruggen stated the number of documented calls and emails allowed for an extensive document to be created for the Show-Cause Hearing; Vanessa Glieden Henjum’s good work was recognized.

14. Public Access Forum-R. Schaefer stated the MAWD Board is considering changes to the summer tour and a survey will be sent out seeking opinions. AIS Educational seminar was discussed, no action taken. R. Schaefer suggested that C. Anderson obtain cost information on portable internet services that he could use for WD business. This information will be discussed at the next meeting.

15. A motion was made by J. Flanders and seconded by B. Wing to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Submitted by,

Ruth Schaefer
Secretary