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REGULAR MEETING OF THE RCWD BOARD OF MANAGERS

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

Shoreview City Hall Council Chambers
4600 North Victoria Street, Shoreview, Minnesota

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Approved Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

President Patricia Preiner called the meeting to order, a quorum being present, at 9:00 a.m.

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ROLL CALL

Present: President Patricia Preiner, 1st Vice-Pres. Michael Bradley, 2nd Vice-Pres. John Waller, and Treasurer Steven Wagamon

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Absent: Secretary Marcie Weinandt (with prior notice)

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Staff Present: District Administrator Nick Tomczik, Wetland Specialist/Permit Coordinator Patrick Hughes, Project Manager Kyle Axtell, District Technician Lauren Sampedro, and Office Manager Theresa Stasica

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Consultants: District Engineer Chris Otterness from Houston Engineering, Inc. (HEI); District Attorney Chuck Holtman from Smith Partners

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Visitors: Todd Blomstrom

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APPOINT ACTING SECRETARY

Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Wagamon to appoint Manager Bradley as Acting Secretary for the meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

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SETTING OF THE AGENDA

District Administrator Tomczik noted that the agenda had been amended to add item #5, discussion of the petition from Wellington Management.

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President Preiner has removed the original items #5 and #6 from the agenda because she would like them discussed with a full Board.

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Wetland Specialist/Permit Coordinator Patrick Hughes noted that under the Consent Agenda regarding Permit No. 19-105, there should be 9 conditions, not 8 as listed.

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**BOARD OF
MANAGERS**

Patricia L. Preiner
Anoka County

Steven P. Wagamon
Anoka County

Michael J. Bradley
Ramsey County

Marcie Weinandt
Ramsey County

John J. Waller
Washington County

36 *Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Waller, to approve the agenda as*
37 *amended. Motion carried 4-0.*

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39 **READING OF THE MINUTES AND THEIR APPROVAL**

40 Manager Wagamon noted that he was marked as in attendance at the February 10, 2020
41 Workshop meeting and he was absent.

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43 *Minutes of the February 10, 2020 Workshop. Motion by Manager Wagamon, seconded by*
44 *Manager Waller, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried 3-0-1 (Bradley*
45 *abstained).*

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47 *Minutes of the February 12, 2020 Board of Managers Meeting. Motion by Manager Wagamon,*
48 *seconded by Manager Waller, to approve the minutes as presented.*

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50 District Administrator Tomczik reviewed the minor amendments suggested for the minutes.

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52 *Main motion amended to incorporate revisions noted by District Administrator Tomczik,*
53 *approved by unanimous consent. Main motion carried 3-0-1 (Bradley abstained).*

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55 **PUBLIC HEARING: STORMWATER MANAGEMENT GRANT REQUESTS FROM**
56 **CITIES OF ARDEN HILLS, FRIDLEY, HUGO, MAHTOMEDI AND SAINT**
57 **ANTHONY, WHITE BEAR TOWNSHIP AND RAMSEY COUNTY**

58 President Patricia Preiner read the following statement of the Watershed District President.

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60 The regular Board meeting is now recessed, and the public hearing is opened on the Rice Creek
61 Watershed District’s proposed selection of projects for funding through the District’s Stormwater
62 Management Grant Program and/or the Board of Water and Soil Resources’ Watershed-Based
63 Funding Pilot Program.

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65 The purpose of this hearing is to receive comments from the public on the projects that the Board
66 is considering for cost-share assistance in the Cities of Arden Hills, Fridley, Hugo, Mahtomedi, and
67 Saint Anthony, White Bear Township, and Ramsey County.

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69 Before the watershed district can provide funds for the capital work of these applicants, state
70 law requires that the board of managers hold a public hearing, receive public comments and
71 make a judgment that each selected project is a sound and cost-effective project to help fulfill
72 our water resource goals. That is the purpose of today’s hearing. In accordance with state law,
73 notice of this hearing was published for two successive weeks in the St. Paul Pioneer Press and
74 mailed to all cities within the watershed district, as well as the district’s four counties.

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76 First, I would ask Kyle Axtell, District Project Manager, to give a brief presentation of the proposed
77 projects. When his remarks are completed, the floor will be open for any members of the public

78 who wish to address the board. At that time, if you wish to comment, please come forward to
79 the podium and state your name and address for the record. If you have a written copy of your
80 statement, or any other documents that you would like to submit, please give them to Theresa
81 Stasica, our meeting clerk.

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83 During public comment, managers are welcome to ask questions of commenters to clarify their
84 remarks. I also may ask Mr. Axtell or representatives of project applicants to respond to any
85 technical questions raised. Managers will hold their own comments about the project until the
86 public hearing is closed. At that time, the board will have the opportunity to discuss the projects.

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88 Project Manager Axtell presented the program goals, a summary of the incorporation of the
89 BWSR watershed-based funding pilot program and the program guidelines. He noted that the
90 applications were due December 31, 2019 and there is a total of \$320,790 available for project
91 cost-sharing in 2020 of which \$20,790 is from the BWSR Watershed-Based Funding that can
92 only be used in Ramsey County for water quality improvements projects. He proceeded to
93 summarize the applications that were received. The applications were:

94
95 City of Arden Hills-Karth Lake Runoff Control
96 This project proposes to stabilize an eroded hillside adjacent to Karth Lake by installing
97 storm sewer piping to eliminate overland runoff from a large commercial parking lot.
98 He explained that this project is BMP#1 in the SW Urban Lakes Management Action
99 Plan for Karth Lake. The project cost is \$180,000 and the applicant has requested
100 \$90,000 in cost-share.

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102 City of Arden Hills-Karth Lake Slope Stabilization
103 This project proposes to preemptively replace a failing timber retaining wall at the
104 Karth Lake pump station. Failure of the wall would lead to a significant discharge of
105 sediment to the lake. He noted that the eligible project cost is \$100,000 and the
106 request is for \$50,000 in cost-share.

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108 City of Fridley-Village Green Stormwater Detention Expansion
109 This project proposes reconstruction of a regional pond at Village Green Apartments
110 by expanding storage volume to improve water quality treatment and flood storage.
111 He stated that this project had previously been awarded funds, but delays caused it
112 not to be implemented and the funding has lapsed. He explained that the property is
113 located outside of RCWD however, the pond conveys flow from 80 acres within RCWD
114 to Lower Rice Creek. The project cost is \$300,000 and the applicant is asking for
115 \$100,000 in cost-share. He reviewed the water quality and flood control benefits to
116 this project.

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119 City of Hugo-County Road 8 Stormwater Reuse

120 This project proposes to convert irrigation of 6.3 acres of maintained landscaping and
121 turfgrass from potable water to stormwater reuse along CSAH 8. He noted that this
122 project will draw water from a stormwater pond in-line with Branch 3 of AWJD3. The
123 project cost is \$545,000 and the cost-share request is for \$100,000. He noted that the
124 District currently has \$60,000 allocated to this project from a previous year's program.
125 He explained that if this were awarded, the prior year agreement would be terminated
126 and replaced with this new agreement. He reviewed the water quality and flood
127 control benefits from this proposed project.

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129 Manager Waller stated that the groundwater is actually potable water that comes out
130 of the aquifer. He stated that will mean a tremendous savings.

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132 Project Manager Axtell agreed and noted that this is one of the reasons that the District
133 has been promoting stormwater reuse projects.

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135 Manager Bradley asked for clarification of the funding. He stated that they are asking
136 for \$100,000, but \$60,000 has already been allocated. He asked if that meant that only
137 \$40,000 would be coming out of the current available budget.

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139 Project Manager Axtell confirmed that this was correct.

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141 City of Mahtomedi –Phase 4 West Historic District Improvements

142 This project proposes installation of a hydrodynamic separator and a sump catch basin
143 with SAFL Baffle to improve stormwater treatment during street reconstruction. The
144 base project does not trigger RCWD rules for stormwater management. The eligible
145 project cost as determined by RCWD staff is \$82,300 and they are requesting \$50,000
146 in cost-share. He explained that the applicant had a higher amount shown as their
147 eligible project cost of \$436,000, but they included a number of line items that were
148 not eligible.

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150 President Preiner asked about the applications that have no flood control benefits and
151 asked if there is anything that could have been enhanced in order to include flood
152 control.

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154 Project Manager Axtell noted that every site is different, but in speaking to this project
155 in particular, their right-of-way is very limited in this neighborhood and implementing
156 any flood control would require storage and there is just no room for it here. He noted
157 that the District is only looking at the Neptune and Rose sites because Tamarack is not
158 eligible for funding.

161 City of Saint Anthony-2020 Street & Utility Improvements

162 This project proposes installation of a CDS hydrodynamic separator to the storm
163 sewer outfall from Silver Lake Terrace during a street reconstruction project. The BMP
164 is in excess of RCWD rules and will primarily remove sediment, floatables and oils from
165 runoff to the lake. The eligible project cost is \$65,640 and the cost share request is
166 \$43,214 with \$20,790 coming from WBFPP.

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168 Ramsey County-Eagle Street and RCD 11

169 This project proposes a replacement of existing failed culverts at Eagle Street, one
170 conveys RCD11, the other conveys local runoff. The project will join the two culverts
171 in a manhole and stabilize the entire road embankment which is severely eroding. He
172 noted that this project had also included many line items that are not eligible for
173 funding, so the actual eligible project cost is \$22,000 and they have requested a cost-
174 share of \$93,961 including \$20,790 from WBFPP.

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176 White Bear Township-Southeast Street Reconstruction & Stormwater Improvements

177 This project will install two sump catch basins with SAFL Baffles to improve
178 stormwater treatment during street reconstruction. These BMPs are in excess of
179 RCWD rules and will primarily remove sediment from runoff to the lake. The original
180 project costs were around \$66,000 and they had asked for a 50% cost-share, however
181 one of the locations they included is considered redundant, so the actual eligible
182 project cost is \$33,410.

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184 President Preiner invited anyone who would like to offer comments about the projects to come
185 forward. There being no further testimony from the public, President Preiner closed the public
186 hearing.

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188 **CONSENT AGENDA**

189 The following items will be acted upon without discussion in accordance with the staff recommendation
190 and associated documentation unless a Manager or another interested person requests opportunity for
191 discussion:

192 **Table of Contents-Permit Applications Requiring Board Action**

| No. | Applicant | Location | Plan Type | Recommendation |
|-----|------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| 194 | 19-088 Mounds View Public | Arden Hills | Final Site Drainage Plan | CAPROC 8 items |
| 195 | Schools | | | |
| 196 | 19-105 U.S. Home Corporation | Lino Lakes | Land Development | CAPROC 9 items |
| 197 | | | Wetland Alteration | |
| 198 | | | Floodplain Alteration | |

199 Permit Coordinator/Wetland Specialist Patrick Hughes reviewed the changes to Permit No 19-
200 105.

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202 District Administrator Tomczik stated that if the Board would like, staff can mail these 19-105
203 changes to the Board. He explained that there was also a change in the fee and this involves

204 Board resolution 2007-05 that requires the fee to have been paid before the application is
205 brought to the Board. For clarity, periodically applications do come to the board with an initial
206 submitted fee yet the final fee is not sorted out, and staff have proceeded here in accordance
207 with that practice.

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209 ***It was moved by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve the Consent***
210 ***Agenda item for permits 19-088 as outlined and 19-105 as corrected in the above Table of***
211 ***Contents in accordance with RCWD District Engineer’s Findings and Recommendations dated***
212 ***February 18 & 20, 2020. Motion carried 4-0.***

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214 **OPEN MIKE – LIMIT 12 MINUTES.** *Any RCWD resident may address the Board in his or her*
215 *individual capacity, for up to three minutes, on any matter not on the agenda. Speakers are*
216 *requested to come to the podium, state their name and address for the record. Additional*
217 *comments may be solicited and accepted in writing. Generally, the Board of Managers will not*
218 *take official action on items discussed at this time, but may refer the matter to staff for a future*
219 *report or direct that the matter be scheduled on an upcoming agenda.*

220 None.

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222 **ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

223 **1. Consider Award of Urban Stormwater Remediation Cost-Share Projects and Watershed**
224 **Based Pilot Program Cost-Share Projects**

225 Project Manager Axtell noted that he and District Technician Lauren Sampedro have
226 reviewed the applications and scored them based on the criteria in the program
227 guidelines. He noted that Houston Engineering and the CAC also reviewed them and has
228 given them scores. He stated that there are not enough funds for every application this
229 year but there is enough for full or partial funding for 6 applications. He reviewed the
230 final funding recommendations and noted that staff is recommending not funding the
231 Eagle Street at Ramsey County Ditch 11 and Karth Lake Slope Stabilization projects.

232 Manager Bradley asked how much the Board would have needed in order to fund the
233 remaining 2 projects.

234 Project Manager Axtell stated that the District would have needed about an additional
235 \$60,000.

236 ***Motion by Manager Wagamon, seconded by Manager Waller, to adopt Resolution***
237 ***2020-04: Ordering 2020 Stormwater Management Grant Projects Pursuant To***
238 ***Minnesota Statutes §103B.251.***

239 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §103B.251 and the
240 WMP, each of the Projects is ordered; and,

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242 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Managers hereby authorizes the
243 Administrator to execute each of the respective cost-share agreements between the Rice
244 Creek Watershed District and the Cities of Hugo, Fridley, Arden Hills, Saint Anthony and

245 Mahtomedi and White Bear Township, with any final non-material changes and on advice
246 of counsel; and,

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248 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Managers direct the Administrator to
249 terminate the March 21, 2017 cost-share agreement between the District and the City of
250 Hugo; and,

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252 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the limit of the District’s contribution to each Project is as
253 follows:

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| 255 | City of Hugo – County Road 8 Stormwater Reuse | \$100,000 |
| 256 | City of Fridley – Village Green Stormwater Detention Expansion | \$100,000 |
| 257 | City of Arden Hills – Karth Lake Runoff Control | \$90,000 |
| 258 | City of Saint Anthony – 2020 Street & Utility Improvements | \$43,790 |
| 259 | City of Mahtomedi – Phase 4 West Historic District Improvements | \$30,000 |
| 260 | White Bear Twp – SE Street Reconstruction & Stormwater Improvements | \$17,000 |

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262 **ROLL CALL:**

263 ***Manager Waller – Aye***

264 ***Manager Weinandt – Absent***

265 ***Manager Bradley – Aye***

266 ***Manager Wagamon – Aye***

267 ***President Preiner – Aye***

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269 ***Motion carried 4-0.***

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271 Manager Bradley stated that he is impressed by how well a number of considerations
272 were balanced in the evaluation, and commended everyone involved for doing a great
273 job.

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275 President Preiner noted that she thinks this program gets better as it is refined each year.

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277 **2. Consider EPG Companies, Inc. Purchase Order BELIESF2020**

278 Project Manager Axtell explained that this is related to the iron enhanced sand filter on
279 RCD11-this project was released for bid at the last Board meeting. He stated that the
280 District has decided to directly source the system controls for this project through EPG,
281 which the District has worked with before. He stated that, as reviewed in more length in
282 his memorandum, this is not something that it is feasible to go out and find multiple
283 quotes for this type of system. He noted that the Purchase Order would be for \$56,493.00,
284 plus freight costs which are estimated at \$150.00. He explained that staff would like to
285 get this moving forward so the equipment is ready when it will be needed this summer.

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287 **Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Bradley, to authorize the District**
288 **Administrator to submit purchase order no. BELIESF2020, dated 02-26-2020 to EPG**
289 **Companies, Inc.**
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291 Manager Waller stated that he would like to point out what Project Manager Axtell
292 already said that when these systems are built, it is important that they are standardized
293 for the District's needs.
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295 Project Manager Axtell also noted that the cost for this project is consistent with the
296 instrumentation cost for the past two projects that EPG has worked on with the District,
297 which in each case was determined through a competitive procurement.
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299 **Motion carried 4-0.**
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301 **3. Consider Approval of Grant Local Water Management Plan**

302 District Technician Lauren Sampedro explained that the City of Grant submitted its revised
303 LWMP on February 18, 2020 which is consistent with the District's 2010 Watershed
304 Management Plan and State requirements. She noted that the City's plan has identified
305 a few water resources issues within the RCWD boundary mostly regarding water quality
306 degradation. She reviewed the watershed district boundaries in Grant and the City's
307 drainage to several impaired waters. She stated that the City will help improve water
308 quality and address the relevant TMDLs by administering its water quality policies
309 including working with the District to implement water quality BMPs or studies when
310 opportunities are identified. She noted that Grant will also continue to educate its
311 residents on cleaning up after their pets to reduce E. coli loading and continue enforcing
312 its existing ordinances and update its erosion control ordinance. She reiterated that the
313 City of Grant's LWMP is consistent with District and State requirements and staff
314 recommends approval.

315 Manager Bradley asked how many cities still need to complete LWMPs.

316 District Technician Sampedro stated that if Grant's is approved than 4 cities are left.

317 **Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Wagamon, to adopt Resolution**
318 **2020-05: Approve Grant Local Water Management Plan.**

319 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the RCWD Board of Managers hereby approves the City
320 of Grant's local water management plan, as submitted on February 18, 2020.

321 **ROLL CALL:**

322 **Manager Waller – Aye**

323 **Manager Weinandt – Absent**

324 **Manager Bradley – Aye**

325 **Manager Wagamon – Aye**

326 **President Preiner – Aye**

327 **Motion carried 4-0.**
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330 **4. Consider Resolution Awarding the Contract for the Repair of Anoka Washington Judicial**
331 **Ditch 3, Phase 1**

332 District Administrator Nick Tomczik explained that the District received bids on the project
333 to repair Anoka Washington JD3 on February 13, 2020. He stated Houston Engineering
334 has completed a review of the bids that were received and recommends accepting the
335 low, responsible bid from Lametti and Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$716,991.00 that will
336 include Alternate 1.

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338 District Engineer Otterness noted that there was one irregularity within the bid. He
339 explained that Lametti and Sons did not acknowledge Addenda #4, however this is
340 immaterial to the quantities or cost of materials within the specifications. He stated that
341 Alternative 1 is included in the contract price, but will have its own Notice to Proceed to
342 enable flexibility should the District decide not to proceed with the work included in
343 Alternative 1.

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345 ***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Bradley, to adopt Resolution 2020-***
346 ***06: Awarding The Contract For The Repair Of Anoka-Washington Judicial Ditch 3 Main***
347 ***Trunk And Branch 3.***

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349 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the RCWD Board of Managers that:

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351 A. The contract for the repair of AWJD 3 Main Trunk and Branch 3 is awarded to
352 Lametti and Sons, Inc., for the contract price of \$716,991.00.
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354 B. The District administrator shall sign and transmit the notice of award, sign the
355 construction agreement, and issue the notice to proceed on advice of counsel
356 and the District’s engineer, when prerequisites for issuance have been met by
357 the contractor.
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359 C. The Notice of Award shall state that each portion of the project (the base bid and
360 bid alternate 1) shall have its own Notice to Proceed.
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362 D. The District administrator may sign change orders increasing the contract price
363 in an aggregate net amount not to exceed 20 percent of the contract price.
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365 **ROLL CALL:**
366 ***Manager Waller – Aye***
367 ***Manager Weinandt – Absent***
368 ***Manager Bradley – Aye***
369 ***Manager Wagamon – Aye***
370 ***President Preiner – Aye***

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372 ***Motion carried 4-0.***

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5. Consider Petition of Wellington Management, Inc., and Alliance Bank for Realignment and Partial Abandonment of a Portion of Anoka County Ditch 53-62.

District Administrator Tomczik stated that a petition was received in December 2019 from Wellington Management, Inc. and Alliance Bank for realignment and partial abandonment of a portion of ACD 53-62. The Board directed Houston Engineering to prepare a report regarding this issue which was included in the handout.

District Engineer Otterness stated that per MS 103E.227, to impound, reroute or divert drainage system waters, the applicant must show a public or private benefit; not impair the utility of the ditch; and not deprive affected landowners of benefit. He noted that per MS103E.805, partial abandonment of drainage systems, the Board must determine that the relevant part of the drainage system no longer serves a substantial purpose, benefit or utility. He reviewed the general project area in question which involves the Main Trunk, and Branches 4 and 5. He gave a brief overview of the proposed modifications which include realigning the Main Trunk to along the west side of the development, crossing 109th through an existing culvert and abandoning remnants on the parcel. He stated that the modification to Branch 4 would extend west along previous Main Trunk alignment and for Branch 5 the downstream end becomes Main Trunk. He noted that some of the design requirements were that an open channel be reconstructed and also an access corridor.

Manager Wagamon asked for an explanation of a cross slope.

District Engineer Otterness explained that if you look at a cross section of a ditch it will have a trapezoidal shape and the cross slope would be the slope from the top of the bank down to the bottom. He explained that they are proposing a 2:1 slope in the channel and for the maintenance corridor a 20' on one side of open channel with a maximum 20% longitudinal grade and 5% cross slope. He stated that they are also proposing to provide an easement over the access corridor and channel, bank to bank.

Manager Bradley stated that it appears as though there will be a brand-new ditch about a mile long and asked whether, since a single length is to be constructed, it should be going through a pipe rather than open ditch.

District Engineer Otterness explained the reasons why the drainage system would still be best served by having an open channel. He stated that the District Engineer also looked at how the proposed project would affect the utility of the system. He stated that there will be no change in capacity of drainage function upstream or downstream. He noted that the petitioners will be responsible for the costs associated with the realignment and the RCWD will maintain responsibility of the drainage system while the landowner is responsible to maintain the culverts.

416 President Preiner asked what would happen if the petitioner wanted it all to be encased
417 underground rather than an open channel system.

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419 District Engineer Otterness stated that a consideration needs to be made for how the
420 system will be maintained in an efficient manner. He stated that a recommendation
421 needs to be determined on a case by case basis. He reiterated that the landowner will
422 maintain responsibility for the culvert and the County will be maintaining the culvert that
423 is located under the County road. He stated that the District Engineer has found no
424 impact to wetlands, floodplains or runoff rates. He noted that the benefit of the project
425 is to accommodate development on the petitioner's property. He stated that the District
426 Engineer's conclusions are that the modifications will have a private benefit, and will not
427 impair the utility of the public drainage system. He stated that the District Engineer also
428 concludes that the modifications do not deprive affected landowners of benefit and
429 recommends that the public hearing be scheduled to consider the petition.

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431 Manager Waller stated that he is not opposed to this project. He stated that this is built
432 in an area where there are a lot of upstream people and noted that there have been
433 complaints about some flooding in this area. He stated that it is a very flat grade in this
434 area. He noted that previous owners had put in a pump to try to get the water out of
435 there so they could get on the property and do something. He stated that he is concerned
436 about the reroute area and wants to make sure when the maintenance road goes in that
437 there isn't a floating waterbed situation. He asked that staff exercise extra diligence to
438 make sure that the maintenance corridor is structurally suitable for proper District use.

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440 District Engineer Otterness stated that his concern is valid and staff has had discussions
441 regarding making sure that the maintenance corridor is of a condition that is suitable for
442 future maintenance and not just an afterthought for the applicant. He stated that for the
443 public hearing, he can provide additional dialogue to address some of those concerns.

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445 District Administrator Nick Tomczik asked if District Engineer Otterness felt the need to
446 amend his report to include the details on the soils and the stability of the maintenance
447 corridor. He asked if it would be good for the record to include that information in his
448 report.

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450 District Engineer Otterness stated that since Manager Waller asked the question about it,
451 he thinks it may be appropriate to add additional dialogue specific to that within the
452 report.

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454 District Administrator Tomczik suggested that there be some language changes within the
455 resolution to allow that addendum to take place.

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457 District Attorney Holtman stated that his only concern with this would be procedural. He
458 suggested that the report be accepted as filed and that it be amended at the public

459 hearing with the District Engineer’s additional information and documentation as
460 presented at the public hearing.

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462 Manager Waller stated that he has no objection and just wants it on record that he wants
463 there to be something built that can be used.
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465 ***Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Wagamon, to adopt Resolution***
466 ***2020-08: Accepting Engineer’s Report for Filing and Setting Date for Hearing on Petition***
467 ***of Wellington Management, Inc., and Alliance Bank for Realignment and Partial***
468 ***Abandonment of a Portion of ACD 53-62.***

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470 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Managers directs the following actions:
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- 472 1. The Board accepts the engineer’s report for filing with the understanding that at
473 the public hearing the engineer will augment its report by explaining whether
474 the proposed access road will be adequate for the Districts future maintenance
475 needs.
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- 477 2. The Board sets a public hearing on the petition and engineer’s report for its
478 regular meeting at Shoreview City Hall, on March 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., or
479 thereafter on the agenda as determined by the Board.
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- 481 3. The Board directs staff to provide notice of the hearing as required by statute
482 and local policy.
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484 ***ROLL CALL:***
485 ***Manager Waller – Aye***
486 ***Manager Weinandt – Absent***
487 ***Manager Bradley – Aye***
488 ***Manager Wagamon – Aye***
489 ***President Preiner – Aye***

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491 ***Motion carried 4-0.***
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493 District Attorney Holtman stated that in looking at the amended agenda, this item was
494 described as “Consider Petition for Realignment” and suggested unanimous consent to
495 modify that to say “Consider Acceptance of Engineer’s Report and Scheduling of Public
496 Hearing”.

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498 ***There was Consent of the Board to amend agenda item #5 to state, “Consider***
499 ***Acceptance of Engineer’s Report and Scheduling of Public Hearing”.***
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501 6. Consider Check Register dated February 26, 2020, in the amount of \$472,064.45
502 prepared by Redpath and Company.
503 *Motion by Manager Wagamon, seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve check*
504 *register dated February 26, 2020, in the amount of \$472,064.45 prepared by Redpath*
505 *and Company. Motion carried 4-0.*
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507 **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION**

508 **1. Staff Reports.**

509 None.
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511 **2. March Calendar.**

512 District Administrator Tomczik noted the public hearing meeting on March 9, 2020 at 7:00
513 p.m. regarding Ramsey County Ditch 11 Drainage System. He reminded the Board of the
514 meeting on March 18, 2020 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. for the MAWD Legislative Reception
515 at the Doubletree Hotel in St. Paul and the MAWD breakfast on March 19, 2020 from 7:00
516 to 9:00 a.m. He stated that the Board will hold its professional development retreat on
517 March 27, 2020 and distributed fliers to the Board. He stated that April 8, 2020 at 1:00
518 p.m. is the proposed City/County partner meeting. He stated that he would like to get the
519 announcement out to the partners so they save the date on their calendars.
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521 President Preiner asked that a revised calendar with these additions be sent to the Board.
522 She asked if the Board would be receiving more materials prior to the Board retreat.
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524 District Administrator Tomczik stated the logistics and save the date is all staff have and
525 if the consultant Erica Garms has more materials we'll get those to the Board.
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527 **3. Managers' Update.**

528 Manager Waller attended the legislative subcommittee on water and one of the big issues
529 discussed were private wells. He stated that there are concerns about possible
530 contamination from nitrogen or other things from the ag community. He stated that
531 there is a relatively inexpensive way to resolve the issue by putting a reverse osmosis
532 system on your drinking and cooking water. He stated that there are many wells in the
533 District and thinks this may be something to pay attention to because it doesn't just affect
534 the non-metro areas.
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536 Manager Bradley noted that the Board had received a letter from Peter Morrell regarding
537 sewage in Lost Lake. He suggested that the Board discuss this letter at an upcoming
538 workshop.
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540 Manager Wagamon stated that he was the liaison to the last CAC meeting and one of
541 their action items had to do with proper communication and the use of e-mail. He stated
542 that the discussion was somewhat contentious and there was not a resolution at the

543 conclusion of the meeting. He stated that he would like the Board to have a discussion
544 about this at an upcoming workshop.

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546 President Preiner asked that staff add that to the agenda and also gather any pertinent
547 background information on the situation including what the CAC process is supposed to
548 be.

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550 District Administrator Tomczik noted that there has been a bit of communication
551 regarding the situation referenced in Mr. Merrill's letter regarding Lost Lake. He stated
552 that staff will gather all the information regarding this situation for update at the
553 workshop.

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555 **ADJOURNMENT**

556 ***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Bradley, to adjourn the meeting at 10:32***
557 ***a.m. Motion carried 4-0.***

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