

Sunrise River Water Management Organization (SRWMO)
Meeting Minutes for Thursday, February 2, 2007

Chairperson Marie Holm called the meeting to order at 7:37pm with the following members present Mike Bury, Bill Larson and Mark Walsh. Absent were Verna Findorff, Frank Kvidera and Kathy Paavola.

Also present were Vern Cardwell, Linwood Lake Association and Howard Holm, Linwood Township Board.

MINUTES

Marie Holm moved and Mark Walsh seconded to approve the August 3, 2006 meeting minutes with the following correction ‘Mark Walsh motioned and Frank Kvidera seconded to approve the May 4, 2006...’ All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Vern Cardwell, on behalf of Linwood Lake Association (LLA), came to ask the SRWMO for direction and/or help to put together a weed survey and a weed management plan, as Linwood Lake is infested with curly pond weed and milfoil. The LLA members voted to approve a group to do a survey and lay out a weed management plan and how it works, and to find out how the WMO can help the LLA. The LLA is currently in a fact finding mode; no weed management plan is in place. There is a true concern for the weed problem. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) considers the lake quality to be fairly static. Anoka Conservation District (ACD) has done some water monitoring. Marie Holm noted that the WMO itself has no specific funds, but that the funds come from the local government units that are a part of the SRWMO. Mike Bury, who is a member of the Coon Lake Association (CLA) shared that CLA is looking to establish a lake management plan. In order for the DNR to draft a lake management plan, the CLA would have to become a lake improvement district. Mike Bury shared the various steps the CLA is taking in order to become a lake improvement district. The WMO has not specifically budgeted for this type of project; however, it will consider this when discussing the 2008 budget.

OLD BUSINESS

Hornby Culvert – The WMO was notified of the work on this project.

Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. Insurance Policy - Marie Holm renewed the policy in the amount of \$2,291.00 for December 1, 2006. The City of East Bethel has an insurance carrier that may be less expensive; it is being checked into.

A WMO survey from the Office of the Legislative Auditor was received in early July and completed and returned by Marie Holm. Jamie Schurbon distributed copies of the Evaluation Report Summary on Watershed Management from the Office of the Legislative Auditor, which was briefly reviewed.

A census bureau request for the SRWMO was completed and returned by Marie Holm

Office of the State Auditor is requesting a financial statement for 2005. Marie Holm will request same from East Bethel City hall and mail it in.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

2006 Draft Results – Jamie Schurbon of ACD gave a synopsis of the results and fielded all questions.

2007 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) – Jamie Schurbon of ACD reviewed the MOU and noted the change under Article 4 – Disbursement of Funds and Exhibit A: 2007 SRWMO Plan of Work. There was brief discussion about the design and placement concerning the task ‘Eurasian Water Milfoil Signage’. **Bill Larson moved and Mark Walsh seconded to approve the 2007 Memorandum of Understand. All in favor, motion carried.** Marie Holm endorsed two copies of the MOU.

2008 Work Proposal – Jamie Schurbon of ACD presented this proposal. Mike Bury will present the task ‘Promotion of Water Quality Improvement Projects – Coon Lake’ to the Coon Lake Association for further ideas, thoughts and feedback.

Proposed 2008 Budget Approval – **Mike Bury moved and Bill Larson seconded to approve a proposed 2008 budget in the amount of \$30,000.** This figure is based on ACD’s 2008 Work Proposal in the amount of \$26,466, plus an additional \$3,534 for insurance and administrative costs. **All in favor, motion carried.**

OTHER

Election of Officers – **Mike Bury moved and Mark Walsh seconded that the slate of officers remain the same; Marie Holm, Chairperson, Frank Kvidera, Vice-Chairperson, and Verna Findorff, Secretary. All in favor, motion carried.**

2007 Meeting Dates – **Bill Larson moved and Mark Walsh seconded to set the following meeting dates for 2007: May 3, August 2 and November 1. Should the need for additional meetings arise, the chairperson has the power to call such meeting. All in favor, motion carried.**

Key to East Bethel City Hall – Marie Holm will check on getting a key issued to her so that the SRWMO doesn’t have to relocate for meetings when Verna Findorff is absent.

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Linwood Lakers – What does the SRWMO think of assisting them with lake improvements? The SRWMO is in favor of assisting, however, the Lakers need to take the lead in the process.

SRWMO Mailing List – Marie Holm asked the recording secretary to update the mailing list.

Bill Larson moved and Mark Walsh seconded to adjourn. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 9:13pm.

Gail E. Gessner, Recording Secretary
Submitted via e-mail on 2/2/7

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Meeting Minutes for Thursday, May 3, 2007

Chairperson Marie Holm called the meeting to order at 7:07pm with the following members present Mark Walsh and Denny Peterson. Absent were Frank Kvidera, Mike Bury, Bill Larson and Kathy Paavola. Also present was Jamie Schurbon of Anoka Conservation District.

Due to the lack of a quorum, no motions were made at this meeting.

Welcome to Denny Peterson, representative for City of Columbus. Chairperson Holm and Jamie Schurbon gave a brief synopsis of the function of the SRWMO.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Holm will talk with Wendy Warren of the City of East Bethel to find out if a second representative has been appointed to the SRWMO.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairperson Holm mailed the SRWMO 2006 Report to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources.

Chairperson Holm mailed the requested financial information to the Office of the State Auditor.

Jamie Schurbon presented three different draft copies of signs to be posted at various landings telling boaters to stop and check their boats for milfoil. A unanimous consensus was made on which sign to use.

MAIL

A rebate check for \$110.00 was received from the LMC Insurance Trust/Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Service, Inc. The rebate monies will be applied toward member communities' accounts.

A copy of East Bethel's comprehensive plan changes was received. Chairperson Holm reviewed and signed off on the plan on behalf of the SRWMO.

A bill for \$13,048.00 for 2007 Plan of Work and \$1,880.00 for previous work done in 2004 was received from Anoka Conservation District. Chairperson Holm signed off on same and submitted for payment.

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OTHER

Denny Peterson asked what a person having ditch problems should do? A letter should be sent to the SRWMO.

SRWMO Mailing List – Marie Holm asked the recording secretary to update the mailing list.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

Gail E. Gessner, Recording Secretary
Submitted via e-mail on 3/12/7

Next meeting date is August 2nd in the East Bethel Senior Center.

Sunrise River Water Management Organization (SRWMO)
Meeting Minutes for Thursday, August 2, 2007

Chairperson Marie Holm called the meeting to order at 7:05pm with the following members present Frank Kvidera, Mark Walsh and Denny Peterson. Absent were Mike Bury, Bill Larson and Kathy Paavola. Also present was Jamie Schurbon of Anoka Conservation District (ACD).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Walsh moved and Denny Peterson seconded to approve the February 2, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Denny Peterson moved and Mark Walsh seconded to approve the May 3, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Homeowner's Guide – Jamie Schurbon reported that this is still a work in progress. He is planning on presenting it at the November meeting.

Milfoil Signage for Boat Launches – The DNR would like the SRWMO signs to be located on the same post as the DNR signs; Jamie Schurbon presented a sample of a smaller, redesigned sign. A unanimous consensus approved the new design.

Reschedule November meeting – **Frank Kvidera moved and Mark Walsh seconded to reschedule the November meeting to November 8th. All in favor, motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS

Election of Secretary – **Mark Walsh moved and Frank Kvidera seconded to appoint Marie Holm as secretary, in addition to her duties as chairperson. All in favor, motion carried.**

MAIL

No mail requiring action.

OTHER

Statement of Economic Interest - Jamie Schurbon notified the members that they will be receiving this in the mail and that it is necessary for each member to fill out the form.

City of Columbus is celebrating its 150th Birthday on September 24th. Festivities will be held at the Columbus City Hall starting at 3:00pm and ending with fireworks at dusk. All are invited to attend.

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ADJOURN

Mark Walsh moved and Frank Kvidera seconded to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Gail E. Gessner, Recording Secretary
Submitted via e-mail on 8/9/7

Next meeting date is November 8th in the East Bethel Senior Center.

Sunrise River Water Management Organization (SRWMO)
Meeting Minutes for Thursday, December 14, 2007

Chairperson Marie Holm called the meeting to order at 7:00pm with the following members present Mike Bury, Kathy Paavola, Denny Peterson and Mark Walsh. Absent were Frank Kvidera and Bill Larson. Also present were Jamie Schurbon of Anoka Conservation District (ACD), Steve Milbrandt of Martin Lake Association, Leon Mager and Jeff Reidemann.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mark Walsh moved and Denny Peterson seconded to approve the November 8, 2007 meeting minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Rough Fish Harvest – Jeff Reidemann presented his proposal to do a rough fish harvest of carp on Martin Lake during the winter months when the water is cold and certain areas of the lake are quiet; as opposed to during the summer months when there is movement throughout the lake. There would be no cost to the SRWMO for the harvesting of carp in Martin Lake. Peter Sorenson of the U of M would need to be contacted to find the ‘Achilles heel’ in Typo Lake in order to do a carp harvest in that lake.

Bullhead harvesting in Martin Lake and Typo Lake would be done in October to November 2008. The cost for harvesting bullheads would be a total cost of \$9,500.00 for both lakes. The SRWMO could work with Gerry Johnson of the DNR to repopulate/restock the lakes with game fish after the harvest is complete.

Mike Bury moved and Denny Peterson seconded to use up to \$10,000 in the SRWMO 2008 budget for bullhead harvesting in both Martin Lake and Typo Lake in October to November 2008. All in favor, motion carried.

It was the unanimous consent of this Board to allow Jeff Reidemann to harvest carp out of Martin Lake this winter at no cost to the SRWMO; Martin Lake Association will assist with the harvest.

MAIL

OTHER

Each Board member was asked to submit the year they were appointed to the SRWMO board and their term of office to Chairperson Holm.

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ADJOURN

Kathy Paavola moved and Mark Walsh seconded to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Gail E. Gessner, Recording Secretary
Submitted via e-mail on 12/30/7

Next meeting date is February 7th.