

## **Technical Advisory Committee**

### **August 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

#### **Attendance:**

- Andover
  - Kameron Kytonen, Natural Resources Technician
- Anoka County Highways
  - Rebecca Haug, Environmental Project Manager
  - Carter Rasmussen, Intern
- Blaine
  - Megan Hedstrom, Water Resources Coordinator
- Coon Creek Watershed District
  - Tim Kelly, Administrator
  - Jon Janke, Director of Operations
  - Erik Bye, Planning Coordinator
  - Tyler Thompson, Field Operations Manager
  - Jessica Lindemyer, Engagement Coordinator
  - Erin Margl, Watershed Development Coordinator
  - Justine Dauphinais, Water Quality Coordinator
  - Eileen Weigel, District Engineer (Stantec)
  - Cameron Marra, Urban Water Resources Engineer (Stantec)
- Coon Rapids
  - Tim Himmer, Public Works Director
  - Mark Hansen, City Engineer
- Ham Lake
  - Dave Krugler, City Engineer (RFC)
- Fridley
  - Jim Kosluchar, City Engineer/Public Works Director
- Spring Lake Park
  - George Linngren, Public Works Director

**Absent:** Anoka Conservation District, Board of Water and Soil Resources, Columbus, Department of Health, Department of Transportation

#### **1. Announcements**

##### Water Quality Cost Share Deadline Extended

Justine Dauphinais announced that the application deadline for the Water Quality Cost Share Program has been extended to August 25<sup>th</sup>.

##### Spring Lake Park MS4 Audit

George Linngren provided a brief overview of how their MS4 audit went

stating that the process took just over 2 hours. Other than a few house-keeping issues, everything went well and no fines were issued.

## **2. Management Situation**

### Hydrology

Jon Janke provided the TAC with a brief update on recent weather and hydrology. Precipitation has been above average for the growing season. Water levels in creeks and ditches are on the high end of normal and the District is in relatively good shape for this time of year.

### Legislative Update

Tim Kelly shared that there have been calls to bring back the BRIC program, particularly from the American Public Works Association (APWA).

The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has released their schedule for the Public Waters Inventory (PWI) update process. The updates will be completed alphabetically by county.

Rebecca Haug announced that Anoka County has received notice from the MPCA that their MS4 program will be audited.

Justine Dauphinais expressed appreciation to Andover and Coon Rapids streets staff for their assistance in collecting street sweeping samples for Contaminants of Emerging Concern (CEC) analysis.

## **3. Concerns**

None.

## **4. Briefs**

### Draft 2026 Budget

Tim Kelly presented an overview of the draft 2026 budget. The draft budget currently sits at 10.3 million with a proposed levy increase of 11%. The tax impact of the budget ranges from \$44-\$110 per household with the average sitting around \$85 per household. The major focus of the 2026 budget is on water quality. The biggest change in the budget relates to the addition of a new staff position that will focus on managing the implementation of large projects related to addressing the TMDL.

Tim Himmer requested a copy of the budget presentation that was shared with the Citizen Advisory Committee. He shared that their current draft budget for 2026 would constitute a 7% increase. Tim Kelly noted that from what he has seen Spring Lake Park is looking at a similar increase of 7.5-8%

with their 2026 budget.

View the budget presentation on the [TAC Resource Webpage](#).

### 2D Modeling Update

Erik Bye stated that the purpose of this agenda item was to provide an update on the results of the existing conditions model of the Springbrook Creek subwatershed and obtain input to determine priority flooding areas and compile a potential project list to evaluate in the next phase.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Stantec presented the background and methods of the pilot 2D H&H modeling project for the Springbrook Creek subwatershed.
- Stantec presented results of the existing conditions flood model of the 10 and 100 yr events along with the structures and roadways impacted in those events.
- City staff shared feedback on model results and potential future uses of the model.
- Erik Bye presented proposed “priority regional flooding areas” for the next phase of the project to focus on and received concurrence from subwatershed members.
- Erik Bye presented potential project sites that will be considered for flood mitigation benefits in the next phase of the project and received concurrence from subwatershed members and no additional projects or sites to evaluate.
- CCWD will distribute mapping products in some form in coming months when they are finalized and begin the next phase of the project to identify projects that can reduce flood risk in the Springbrook Creek subwatershed.

View the full presentation on the [TAC Resource Webpage](#).

## **5. Other Water Management Concerns**

None.

**All handouts, materials, and presentations for this meeting can be found on the TAC Resource Webpage: <https://www.cooncreekwd.org/tac/>**