# COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING

The Board of Managers of the Coon Creek Watershed District held their regular meeting on, Monday, November 27, 2023, at the Coon Creek Watershed District Office.

# 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM

Board Members Present: Erin Lind, Mary Campbell, Dwight McCullough, James Hafner,

and Jason Lund

Staff Present: Bobbie Law, Tim Kelly, Jessica Lindemyer, and Michelle Ulrich

Staff Present via Zoom: Erin Edison, Erik Bye

### 2. Swear in New Manager

District Attorney, Michelle Ulrich, swore in new Manager Jason Lund.

# 3. Approval of the Agenda:

Board Member Lund moved to Approve the Agenda. Seconded by Board Member Campbell. The motion carried with 5 yeas (Board Members Lind, Campbell, McCullough, Hafner, and Lund) and no nays.

#### 4. Announcements

No announcements.

# 5. Open Mic/Public Comment

No one present for comment.

# **CONSENT ITEMS:**

# 6. Approval of Minutes of November 13, 2023

#### 7. Approval of Bills:

Claims totaling \$74,853.27 on the following disbursement list will be issued and released upon Board approval.

November 27, 2023			
To	Amount		
Abdo LLP	3,500.00		
Centerpoint Energy	157.60		
City of Coon Rapids	3,650.00	Escrow Return	
City of Fridley	9,877.90	)	
Classic Construction Inc	468.72	Escrow Return	
Drain King	550.00		
Larson Engineering of MN	2,165.00	Escrow Return	
RMB Environmental Labs	1,197.00		
Schalo Construction Inc	1,542.58	Escrow Return	
Mark Smith	3,900.00	00 Escrow Return	
Stantec	40,290.71		
Tyler Thompson	370.00		
Randy Wesp	4,250.00		
Xcel Energy	90.01		
YTS Companies	2,843.75		
	74,853.27	0.0	

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Board Member Lund moved to Approve the Consent Agenda Items seconded by Board Member Campbell. The motion carried with 5 yeas (Board Members Lind, Campbell, McCullough, Hafner, and Lund) and no nays.

#### **POLICY ITEMS**

None

#### **PERMIT ITEMS**

None

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

# 8. Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan Summary

Administrator Mr. Kelly gave a summary presentation on the District's draft 2023 to 2033 Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan. He highlighted that the area's water resources are at an inflection point; the next 10-years will be a decisive period relative to groundwater, water quality, localized disasters, and contested norms. During his presentation Mr. Kelly covered the current water management situation, the operating environment, priority problems & opportunities, implications, Multi-Domain Management, and joint tasks.

# 9. Citizen Advisory Committee

Mr. Kelly presented an overview of the District's requirement to have a Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) and a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). He outlined the required membership and their role in advising the Board. He noted that two current CAC members have notified the District that they are not seeking reappointment to the committee for 2024. Mr. Kelly highlighted the one new CAC applicant the District received.

Ms. Lindemyer clarified that there was also another topic for the Board to consider; the CAC policy application deadlines currently set. She noted that members can only be appointed in December or January of each year.

The Board discussed the current policy cap of 9 total members for the CAC group. Board Member Lind requested that the staff consider reaching out to previous members to see if they have an interest in applying. She requested the Board consider increasing the number of members that can be on the CAC. She also requested that the applications to join the committee be reviewed on a rolling basis rather than only accepting applicants once a year.

The Board discussed recruitment efforts for the committee.

Board Member McCulough gave an overview of his experience serving as a Board liaison to the CAC.

This topic will be discussed and added to the January 2024 Board meeting agenda as an action item, including the current outstanding CAC member application.

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# **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

# 10. Open Meeting Law Advisory Opinion 23-005

Mr. Kelly followed up on the open meeting law issues coming forward as demonstrated in the recent Department of Administration Advisory Opinion.

# **ADJOURN**

Board Member McCullough moved to adjourn at 6:43 p.m. seconded by Board Member Lund. Motion carried with 5 yeas (Board Members Lind, Campbell, McCullough, Hafner, and Lund) and no nays.

President MSG