## **Ramsey Conservation District**

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## Minutes of the **Board of Supervisors Regular Board Meeting** held September 12, 2016.

1. Meeting called to order by Chair Humphrey at 2:00 p.m at the Ramsey County Courthouse.

Roll of Attendance

Supervisors present:	Others present:
Margaret Behrens	Ann WhiteEagle, RCD Staff
Paul Gardner	
Mara Humphrey	
Carrie Wasley	
Gwen Willems	

Approval of Agenda: The board moved Standing Committee Assignments to the top of the agenda. **Motion by Supervisor Wasley and Supervisor Willems seconded** to approve the final agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

- A. Announcements: The Board was sent a list of upcoming meetings in the board packets. Supervisor Behrens announced the RCLLG Annual Meeting will be December 8, 2016. The RWMWD LEAP awards program will be November 16, 2016 and Supervisor Gardner was chosen as an awards recipient.
- 5. Standing Committee Reports- The Board reported on the committee meetings they attended.
  - A. Metro Conservation Districts- Supervisor Willems
  - B. Rice Creek Advisory Committee Supervisor Gardner
  - C. Ramsey- Washington Metro Watershed District Citizen Advisory Committee and Board- Supervisor Gardner
  - D. Capitol Region Watershed District Citizen Advisory Committee and Board Meeting- Supervisor Wasley and Supervisory Willems
  - E. Ramsey County League of Local Governments- Supervisor Behrens
  - F. VLAWMO Tech and Advisory Committee- Supervisor Behrens
  - G. White Bear Lake CD Lake Level Committee Supervisor Behrens- No Report
- 2. Staff Reports: The staff provided a written update to the board on recent projects and activities.
- Approval of Standing Reports: Secretary's Report Minutes of August 1, 2016

## Motion by Supervisor Wasley and Supervisor Willems seconded to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

## 4. Action Items

A. Approval of August, 2016 Supervisor Expense Claims: **Resolution 16-09-01**. Supervisor Wasley moved and Supervisor Willems seconded. Resolved, the Board approved the expense reports as submitted by Supervisors Behrens \$241.20, Gardner \$137.42, Humphrey \$87.96, Wasley \$271.60, and Willems \$280.78.

Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Gardner, Humphrey, Wasley, Willems – Voting against: none – Abstaining: none

B. FY14 CWF Community Partners Grant Project Reimbursement: **Resolution 16-09-02**. Supervisor Willems moved and Supervisor Wasley seconded. Resolved the Board approved the following reimbursements:

The MN BWSR has provided \$150,000.00 in FY2014 Clean Water Funds through the Community Partners Conservation Program Grant to the RCD for water quality projects installed on Faith Organization, School, and Business properties;

Whereas, the BWSR cost-share shall not exceed 75% of the total construction cost; and Whereas, the RCD Board of Supervisors designated, Joe Lochner, Ramsey Conservation District Staff as the technical representative for these projects.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the RCD Board approved reimbursement payment in the following amounts:

White Bear Montessori School: Spokesperson Marnie McPherson: 1201 East County Road E, Gem Lake, MN 55110 for infiltration basins.

Contract #CP 14-07, Conservation Practice 570; Total Project Cost: \$28,125.00; BWSR Cost Share for eligible components: 43%/\$12,000.00. Local Watershed (Vadnais Lake Area Water Management Organization) Cost Share for eligible components: 57%/\$16,125.00. Landowner Contribution: 0%/0.00. Technical and Administrative amount to be consistent with percentages outlined in grant work plan.

Frogtown Gardens DBA Frogtown Farm: Spokesperson: Soyini Guyton; 941 Lafond Ave. Ste. 200, St. Paul, MN 55104 for infiltration basins and educational signage.

Contract #CP 14-08, Conservation Practice 570; Total Project Cost: \$63,891; BWSR Cost Share for eligible components: 38%/\$24,304.00. Local Watershed (Capitol Region Watershed District) Cost Share for eligible components: 53%/\$34,031.00. Landowner Contribution: 9%/\$5,556.00. Technical and Administrative amount to be consistent with percentages outlined in grant work plan.

Public Arts St. Paul: Spokesperson Mary Johnson: 381 Wabasha St. N., St. Paul, MN 55102 for an infiltration basin and educational signage.

Contract #CP 14-09, Conservation Practice 570; Total Project Cost: \$9,590; BWSR Cost Share for eligible components: 47.5%/\$4,555.00. Local Watershed (Capitol Region Watershed District) Cost Share for eligible components: 47.5%/\$4,555.00. Landowner Contribution: 5%/\$480.00. Technical and Administrative amount to be consistent with percentages outlined in grant work plan. Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Gardner, Humphrey, Wasley, Willems – Voting against: none – Abstaining: none

C. FY17 Flood Recovery (2014 DRAP Phase 3B) Grant Agreement: Ann explained that the BWSR grant agreement for flood recovery for the Lilydale Regional Park had arrived. Resolution 16-09-03. Supervisor Wasley moved and Supervisor Behrens seconded. Resolved the Board approved the RCD

Chair signing the FY17 Flood Recovery (2014 DRAP Phase 3B) grant agreement, which expires December 31, 2018.

Voting in favor of the resolution: Behrens, Gardner, Humphrey, Wasley, Willems – Voting against: none – Abstaining: none

- D. 2016 State of the Waters Update: Ann updated the board on the progress for planning the 2016 State of the Waters event on October 20, 2016 from 7-8:30pm.
- E. MASWCD Resolutions: Supervisor Willems provided the board a summary of the MASWCD Resolutions/Policy Committee's last meeting, as well as the timeline for the process.

Supervisor Behrens left the meeting at 2:28pm.

F. Conservationist of the Year: **Resolution 16-09-04**. Supervisor Wasley moved and Supervisor Willems seconded. Resolved the Board approved staff nominating Gloria Dei Lutheran Church to the MASWCD, for Conservationist of the Year.

Voting in favor of the resolution: Gardner, Humphrey, Wasley, Willems - Voting against: none - Abstaining: none

G. Strategic Planning: Ann explained that the remaining AIS Inspector, Ms. Little, will transition from inspections to technical assistance and requested increasing her hourly rate. Resolution 16-09-05. Supervisor Wasley moved and Supervisor Willems seconded. Resolved the Board approved increasing the hourly rate to Ms. Little to \$16/hour.

Voting in favor of the resolution: Gardner, Humphrey, Wasley, Willems - Voting against: none - Abstaining: none

H. FY14 DR-4182 Flood Relief Grant Project Reimbursement: **Resolution 16-09-06**. Supervisor Willems moved and Supervisor Wasley seconded. Resolved the Board approved the following reimbursement.

The MN BWSR has provided \$95,591 for FY2014 DR-4182 Flood Relief to provide assistance to repair projects of the storm event known as DR-4182;

Whereas, the allowable BWSR cost-share is up to 100% of the project cost;

Whereas, the RCD Board of Supervisors designated, Joe Lochner, Ramsey Conservation District Staff as the technical representative for this project.

Nichols/Phillips Residence: Spokesperson Linda Nichols: Landowner at 734 Carla Lane, Little Canada, MN 55109 for the shoreline protection project.

Contract #FR-04, Conservation Practice 580; Total Project Cost: \$23,259.76; BWSR Cost Share for eligible components: 100%/\$23,259.76. Local Watershed (Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District) Cost Share for eligible components: 0%/\$0,000.00. Landowner Contribution: 0%/\$0,000.00. Technical and Administrative amount to be consistent with percentages outlined in grant work plan.

Voting in favor of the resolution: Humphrey, Wasley, Willems - Voting against: none - Abstaining: Gardner

- I. FY16-17 VLAWMO PSA: Resolution 16-09-07. Supervisor Wasley moved and Supervisor Willems seconded. Resolved the Board approved the RCD Chair signing the FY16-17 Professional Service Agreement with VLAWMO to provide technical assistance up to \$14,000.
  - Voting in favor of the resolution: Gardner, Humphrey, Wasley, Willems Voting against: none Abstaining: none
- 7. Next Regular Meeting Date- Monday, October 17, 2016 at 3:00pm.
- 8. Adjournment: Motion by Supervisor Wasley, Supervisor Willems seconded to adjourn at 2:40 pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Ann WhiteEagle.