September 21, 2026 (a)

APPROVED
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE MIDDLE-SNAKE-TAMARAC RIVERS WATERSHED DISTRICT HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE IN WARREN

8:30 a.m. **September 21, 2026**

The Meeting was called to order by President Bill Petersen, Managers Bill Petersen, Brad Blawat, Lein Schiller, Joey McGregor, Jared Sands and Keith Szczepanski were present. Mori Maher, Kyle Schlomann, Tyler Larson, Robert Adam, Katrina Haugen, Jim Duckstad and Tony Nordby were also present. Jeff Hane and Michael Miller were in attendance using Microsoft Teams.

Motion by Mr. Lein Schiller, seconded by Mr. Keith Szczepanski to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously carried

Motion by Mr. Brad Blawat, seconded by Mr. Keith Szczepanski, to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2026, meeting as corrected. Motion unanimously carried.

Rolland Miller joined the meeting at approximately 8:33 a.m.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and filed for the Auditor

Motion by Mr. Lein Schiller, seconded by Mr. Brad Blawat to pay the following checks: Payroll Checks 7461-7470 in the amount of $22,089.12; From Administrative Funds checks 20403-20417 in the amount of $33,019.18 including ACH withdrawals; From Project funds checks 3813-3822 in the amount of $1,194,774.43; Debit card transactions in the amount of $3,866.69; From Ditch funds checks 3875-3882 in the amount of $132,914.25. Motion unanimously carried

Motion by Mr. Lein Schiller, seconded by Mr. Brad Blawat to authorize Mr. Bill Petersen to sign Pay Request #3 for Spruce Valley on the Nelson Slough project. Motion unanimously carried.

The following Administratively Approved Permits were reviewed:

> Permit 26-035 Rick and Wendy Smith to install a new crossing with a 18" culvert in the East ditch of CSAH #11 in the SW4 of Section 14 Viking Township
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> Permit 26-036 Steve Moen to install a new crossing with an 18" culvert along 180th St NW in the NW4 NW4 Section 26 Higdem Township
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> Permit 26-037 MN DOT to remove and replace an existing 18" field crossing culvert with a new longer 18" CAS culvert in the East ditch alongside US Highway 75, in the SE4 NW4 of Section 20 Sinnott Township.

Dillon Nelson joined the meeting at approximately 8:55 a.m. (virtual)

Engineering Technician Tyler Larson shared information regarding some sluffing on CD #43 that is approximately 200-300' long in Section 9 Angus Township. There is currently a contractor in the area working on other projects for the District and Larson is looking for approval to have the same contractor repair the sluffing.

Motion by Mr. Joey McGregor, seconded by Mr. Lein Schiller to authorize fixing the sluffing on CD #43. Motion unanimously carried.

Tony Nordby of Houston Engineering and Administrator Maher provided an update on the construction of Nelson slough in addition to a financial update.

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Administrator Maher is continuing to meet with landowners for Swift Coulee Phase II. Due to the ongoing harvest, some landowners have requested to meet after it has wrapped up.

Administrator Maher stated he had Jeff Fagerstrom come and look at the window in the south office to have it repaired/replaced. After discussion with him he will provide quotes to replace the broken glass.

Motion by Mr. Brad Blawat, seconded by Mr. Joey McGregor to authorize Administrator Maher to approve a reasonable estimate to replace the broken glass in the south office window and share the quote with the Board. Motion unanimously carried.

Managers were asked to turn in their Per-Dium sheets prior to the October 19th Board Meeting as September 30th is the end of the quarter.

Administrator Maher and Administrative Assistant Haugen provided an update from the last One Watershed One Plan Policy committee meeting.

Administrator Maher informed the Board of a interaction he had with a member of the public who came into the office. The individual verbally harassed Administrator Maher by making a derogatory comment and Maher told the individual to leave. The Board directed Attorney Jeff Hane to investigate what options they have to protect staff as it is their responsibility to ensure staff have a safe working environment free of violence, intimidation, or aggressive behavior. Attorney Hane will provide the Board with guidance at the next board meeting.

Four District employees will be attending BWSR Academy in Brainard, MN, October 20-22. Staff will leave Monday, October 19th in the afternoon and return Thursday evening.

Dillon Nelson left the meeting at approximately 10:27 a.m.

The following meetings were announced:

1. MSTRWD Regular Board of Managers Meeting Monday October 5, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the District Office in Warren, MN
2. MSTRWD Regular Board of Managers Meeting Monday October 19, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the District Office in Warren, MN
3. RRWMB Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 20, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. in Ada MN

Motion by Mr. Lein Schiller, seconded by Mr. Keith Szczepanski to adjourn the Meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

The Meeting was adjourned at 10:29a.m.

Katrina Haugen
Recording Secretary

Brad Blawat
Secretary