

**APPROVED (July 15, 2013)**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE**  
**MIDDLE- SNAKE-TAMARAC RIVERS WATERSHED DISTRICT**  
**HELD AT 453 NORTH MCKINLEY STREET, WARREN, MN**  
**4:00 P.M. JULY 1, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by President, Mr. Roger Hille. Managers Doug Sorenson, Roger Hille, John W Nelson, David Bakke, Marvin Hedlund, and Alvin Nybladh were present. Manager Ben Kleinwachter was not present. Connie Kujawa, Nick Drees, Danny Omdahl, Ron Adrian, Ernest Pribula, Arlyn Stroble, Rolland Miller, Heidi Hughes and Tony Nordby were also present.

By unanimous consent, the agenda was accepted as presented

Motion by Mr. David Bakke, seconded by Mr. Doug Sorenson that the minutes of the June 17, 2013 meeting be approved, as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Damon Stroble joined the meeting at approximately 4:03 p.m.

Open Forum: Ernest Pribula discussed the permit previously issued to him to replace a 24" culvert in the NW SW of Section 7 of Northland Township which stated the ditch grade was to remain the same. Mr. Pribula is requesting to change the slope and the alignment of the culvert.

Ernest Pribula was directed to submit a permit application for the Board to review and act on accordingly.

Arlyn Stroble inquired about the right of way and grass strip required along Polk County Ditch #43, Lateral 1.

Ernest Pribula left the meeting at approximately 4:29 p.m.

Arlyn Stroble and Damon Stroble left the meeting at approximately 4:30 p.m.

The following permits were unanimously approved:

1. Permit (13-039) City of Viking to install a road approach with a 30" culvert, in the North CSAH #2 road ditch in the SE SE section 27; install a 4.7 acre pond; 1,400' PVC Forcemain and control structure, E2, Section 27, Viking Township, contingent upon Widseth, Smith & Nolting submit a permit application for the stabilization pond. (Motion John W Nelson, seconded David Bakke).
2. Permit (13-040) Tim Osowski to lower a 30" diagonal culvert by 1'; draining from the SW4 of Section 28 into JD #9 in NE4 of Section 32, Donnelly Township. (Motion Alvin Nybladh, seconded Doug Sorenson)

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3. Permit (13-041) Marshall County Highway Department to remove (2) 48" RCP culverts and replace with (1) 57" x 83" CSPA, County Ditch #38 Branch 1, NE4, Section 28 and NW4, Section 27, Bloomer Township. (Motion Doug Sorenson, seconded Marvin Hedlund)
4. Permit (13-042) (Administratively Approved) Eric Johnson to replace an 18" culvert with an 18" culvert, North MN Truck Highway #1 road ditch, SW SE, Section 35; to remove sediment S2, Section 35 and 600' in SE SE, Section 34, Warrenton Township.
5. Permit (13-044) Higdem Township to remove an 18" centerline culvert, SE4, Section 9 and SW4 of Section 10; to lower a 24" culvert SE SE, Section 9; to lower a 24" culvert, SW SW, Section 10, Higdem Township. (Motion Marvin Hedlund, seconded John W Nelson)
6. Permit (13-045) Joey McGregor to install 110 acres drain tile; 5 HP (800 GPM) pump; 3/8" coefficient, draining into North CSAH #14 road ditch, SE4, Section 5, Comstock Township, provided Marshall County approves. (Motion Alvin Nybladh, seconded Marvin Hedlund)
7. Permit (13-046) Joey McGregor to install 120 acres drain tile in NE4; 7.5 HP (1,100 GPM) pump in SW SE; 3/8" coefficient, Section 4, Comstock Township, provided other applicable permits are obtained. (Motion John W Nelson, seconded Doug Sorenson)
8. Permit (13-050) Tim Sedlacek to install 77 acres drain tile with gravity outlet, SW corner to drain into natural coulee, W2 NE4, Section 30, Comstock Township. (Motion Alvin Nybladh, seconded Doug Sorenson)

The following permit was approved:

9. Permit (13-049) John W Nelson to install 43 acres drain tile; 3/8" coefficient in NE SE, Section 29 and connect to existing tile in SE4, Section 29, Oak Park Township. (Motion Alvin Nybladh, seconded Marvin Hedlund, with John W Nelson abstaining).

Motion by Mr. Doug Sorenson, seconded by Mr. David Bakke that the following permit be tabled:

10. Permit (13-043) Eric Johnson to lower the West 36" culvert (1 of 3) by 1', draining into Polk County Ditch #43 Lateral 1, East township road ditch, NW4, Section 6, Angus Township, until adjacent landowners are notified and validation that the ditch system will not assume the costs.

The following permits were denied:

11. Permit (13-047) Joey McGregor to amend permit (09-009) to move the drain tile outlet ~700' West into the township road slope, North side of OCSS, NE NE, Section 15,

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Comstock Township, pending review of alternative options. (Motion Doug Sorenson, seconded David Bakke)

12. Permit (13-048) Peter Erickson to install 148 acres drain tile; 7.5 HP (1,100 GPM) pump, ¼" coefficient; NW4, Section 7, Viking Township, due to current litigation regarding the redetermination of benefits of Judicial Ditch #25-1. (Motion John W Nelson, seconded Marvin Hedlund)

The drain tile policy of Wanger Township was distributed.

Nick Drees reported:

Judicial Ditch #1-surveying has been completed; Houston Engineering is in the process of preparing bid documents and advertisements for bids will be solicited .

Judicial Ditch #14-Viewers have met with the individuals who requested to meet with them and are proceeding with their work.

Judicial Ditch #16-favorable quotes have been received from contractors to repair the washed out crossing in the E2 NW4 of section 35 Vega Township. The Board directed staff to contact the landowner concerning fill material.

Sheila Horner joined the meeting at approximately 5:45 p.m.

Motion by Mr. John W Nelson, seconded by Mr. Doug Sorenson to extend the Memorandum Of Understanding with the Agassiz Audubon Sanctuary, from June 30, 2013 to July 1, 2014. Motion unanimously carried.

Heidi Hughes gave an update on recent activities at the Agassiz Valley Water Resource Management Project and the Audubon Sanctuary. She also reported that she has submitted some grant applications and is awaiting word on them.

Joey McGregor joined the meeting at approximately 5:55 p.m.

Sheila Horner, Heidi Hughes and two others left the meeting at approximately 6:40 p.m.

The following permit was unanimously approved:

13. Permit (13-034) to Joey McGregor to install a crossing with a 36" culvert, South CSAH #20 road ditch, NE NW; install a crossing with a 24" culvert, in Judicial Ditch #20, Branch C, in the NW SW, section 14, Warrenton Township, provided the West temporary crossing and 24" culvert is removed. (Motion John W Nelson, seconded Marvin Hedlund).

Joey McGregor left the meeting at approximately 6:25 p.m. Manager Doug Sorenson left the meeting at approximately 6:32 p.m.

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Nick Drees announced:

1. The hearing to accept the contract of Zavoral Construction, on the Brandt/Angus Project is scheduled for July 15, 2013, at 3:30 p.m.;
2. That the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources opinion is that the Red River Agricultural Levee Agreement can be reviewed upon original signatory request
3. That the Tamarac Project Team met on June 27, 2013 at Strandquist and toured potential retention sites.
4. That the Board of Soil and Water Resources has received the letter received from the Polk County Administrator regarding the distribution of Managers to the MSTRWD board.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2013, at 4:00 p.m., at the District office.

By unanimous consent the meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:02 p.m.

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Connie Kujawa  
Recording Secretary

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Marvin Hedlund  
Secretary