

**APPROVED (March 19, 2012)**  
**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.                      MARCH 5, 2012**

The meeting was called to order by President Roger Hille. Managers Roger Hille, John W Nelson, David Bakke and Alvin Nybladh were present. Managers Doug Sorenson, Marvin Hedlund and Ben Kleinwachter were not present. Nick Drees, Connie Kujawa, Danny Omdahl, Wallace Diedrich, Ron Adrian and Curtis Carlson were also present.

Wallace Diedrich taped the meeting with one recorder.

Loren Zutz taped the meeting with one recorder.

By unanimous consent the agenda was accepted as presented.

Mr. Ben Kleinwachter joined the meeting at approximately 4:07 p.m.

Motion by Mr. David Bakke, seconded by Mr. Alvin Nybladh that the minutes of the February 8, 2012 special meeting be approved, as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. Alvin Nybladh, seconded by Mr. John W Nelson that the minutes of the February 21, 2012 meeting be accepted, as corrected. Motion unanimously carried.

Marshall County Commissioner Curtis Carlson addressed the Board regarding correspondence received from Jim Stengrim, during the open forum.

Wallace Diedrich also addressed the Board during the open forum and stated that the assessed landowners of a ditch system are the owners of the ditch.

By unanimous consent, the Board took no action on the following permit:

1. (Permit 12-004) City of Oslo to realign 1900' of levee; construct 2,825' of new levee; construct ~500' of floodwall; regrade 1,215' of riverbank to the new levee to 3:1 slope or flatter; raise 13,500' of ringdike from 1.1" to 1.7"; repair various sluice and slide gates; move 1 gatwell structure and raise 3 gatwell structure elevations; construct a stop log structure and replace culverts with new RCP & CMP culverts.

The following permits were unanimously approved:

2. (Permit 12-008) to Chad Anvinson to install ~145 acres of field drain tile, in the NW4 of Section 31 of Sandsville Township, and to install a 5 HP VFD sump pump in the NW corner, east side of Judicial Ditch #1 Branch provided one of the existing culverts is used as the outlet. (Motion John, seconded Ben)

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3. (Permit 12-009) to Neil Johnson to install ~155 acres of field drain tile with a 7.5HP, 1,100 GPM VFD sump pump installed in the SW corner of the tiled field, in the SW4 of Section 21, Brislet Township. (Motion Ben, seconded Alvin)

The Marshall County Conservation News and a letter from Jim Stengrim addressed to the Legislative Auditor, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Watershed District were distributed.

Mr. Roger Hille reported that legal council has reviewed the document submitted by Jim Stengrim, at the February 21, 2012 board meeting, concerning the Redetermination of Benefits of Judicial Ditch #25-1 and has determined that the document is not a petition under Minnesota Statutes and that none of the remaining allegations in the document should be used as grounds for anybody's disqualifications.

Nick Drees reported that a typing error has been discovered on the Findings of Fact and Order Regarding the Redetermination of Benefits of Judicial Ditch #25-1 and asked how the Board wanted to address the matter.

Motion by Mr. John W Nelson, seconded by Mr. David Bakke that the Administrator be authorized to amend and initial the typing error on the Findings of Fact and Order Regarding the Redetermination of Benefits of Judicial Ditch #25-1. Motion unanimously carried.

Nick Drees reported that the Viewers appointed for the Redetermination of Benefits of Judicial Ditch 25-1 met on February 28, 2012 at the District office and took their oath and received their instructions.

Motion by Mr. John W Nelson, seconded by Mr. David Bakke that the District advertise for bids the resloping, of Judicial Ditch #75, on the field side, from the center of section 2, westerly, through Section 5, of Northland Township, with the resloping works stopping at the east side of Minnesota Trunk Highway #220. Motion unanimously carried.

Randy Knott of HDR Engineering joined the meeting at approximately 4:58 p.m.

Nick Drees reported that the District's legal council doesn't see any issues in allowing the Boy Scouts to camp on the Agassiz Valley Water Resource Management Property, as requested by Heidi Hughes of the Agassiz Audubon Sanctuary.

It was announced that the bids for the Brandt/Angus Project were publically opened, at the District Office, on February 28, 2012.

Motion by Mr. John W Nelson, seconded by Mr. Alvin Nybladh to accept and award the Brandt/Angus Flood Control Project to the low bidder, RJ Zavoral and Sons Construction, contingent upon approval from the District's legal council, and that Nick Drees, be authorized to act as the contracting officer, on behalf of the District, and that he also be the authorized signator on the contracting documents. Motion unanimously carried.

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Nick Drees gave a brief report on the Administrative meeting held in Fertile, Minnesota, at the request of the RRWMB to discuss the Natural Resources Conservation Service WRP Program.

Nick Drees announced that the Legislative Briefing and Breakfast is scheduled for March 7 and March 8, 2012 in St. Paul.

It was the consensus of the Board to address Recording of Board Meetings when the full board is present.

The Rules and Regulations of the District were distributed and reviewed. Nick Drees was directed to seek clarification from the Minnesota Board of Soil and Water Resources regarding amending the Rules and Regulations.

Nick Drees reported that the CRP contract on the District lands in section 21 of Angus Township are set to expire. It was the consensus of the Board, that if the properties can not be re-enrolled in CRP that they be advertised for rent.

A discussion was held concerning the District's survey equipment. Nick Drees was directed to have the District staff get quotes on a 4-wheeler and also on a side by side all terrain vehicle.

Curtis Carlson left the meeting at approximately 6:05 p.m.

By unanimous consent the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:05 p.m.

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Connie Kujawa  
Recording Secretary

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David Bakke  
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer