

# Black Dog Watershed Management Commission

## **APPROVED** **Meeting Minutes** **July 15, 2020**

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Roger Baldwin, Chairman  
Greg Helms, Vice-Chairman  
Scott Thureen, Secretary/Treasurer  
Tom Harmening  
Mike Hughes

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Rollie Greeno, Alternate  
Curt Enestvedt, Alternate

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Karen Chandler – Barr Engineering  
Greg Williams – Barr Engineering  
Roger Knutson – Campbell Knutson  
Samantha Berger – City of Apple Valley  
Ann Messerschmidt – City of Lakeville (*joined meeting at 5:15pm*)  
Lindsey Albright – Dakota County Soil and Water Conservation District  
Daryl Jacobson – BDWMO Administrator  
Tammi Carté – BDWMO Secretary

Roger Baldwin, Chairman, called the July 15, 2020, meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. via WebEx.

#### I. Approval of Agenda

**Motion by** Hughes, second by Thureen, to approve the July 15, 2020 Agenda as presented.

Ayes – Baldwin, Helms, Hughes, Thureen, Harmening  
Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

#### II. Approval of Minutes from the June 17, 2020 Meeting

**Motion by** Harmening, second by Hughes, to approve the June 17, 2020 Minutes as presented.

Ayes – Baldwin, Helms, Hughes, Thureen, Harmening  
Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

#### III. Approval of Accounts Payable

**Motion by** Hughes, second by Harmening, to approve payments to Barr Engineering in the amount of \$4,940.28 for services from May 30, 2020 through June 26, 2020; and, to Campbell Knutson in the amount of

\$306.00 for May 2020 general services; and, to League of MN Cities Insurance Trust in the amount of \$2,812.00 for LMCIT Property/Casualty Insurance Coverage July 15, 2020 to July 15, 2021.

Ayes – Baldwin, Helms, Hughes, Thureen, Harmening

Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

IV. Review Budget Performance Reports

Daryl Jacobson, BDWMO Administrator – The audit was finalized and sent to the State Auditor’s office along with the Annual Activity Report. The 2020 invoices were sent to member cities.

**No Formal Action Required**

V. Discussion of Draft Dakota County Groundwater Plan

A copy of the memo prepared by Barr Engineering reviewing the draft Dakota County Groundwater Plan was provided to the Commission for review prior to this meeting.

Karen Chandler, Barr Engineering, reviewed the content of the memo with the Commission. The Commission could consider including strategies and actions in the watershed plan update. No action is required of the WMO at this time. Barr Engineering can notify Dakota County that the Commission has reviewed the draft groundwater plan.

**Motion by** Harmening, second by Hughes, authorizing Barr Engineering to send communication to Dakota County that the Black Dog WMO has reviewed the draft groundwater plan and will consider the requested actions during the Black Dog WMO plan update.

Ayes – Baldwin, Helms, Hughes, Thureen, Harmening

Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

VI. Discussion and Review of Next Steps for the Watershed Plan Update

A copy of the memo prepared by Barr Engineering outlining the next step action items for the Watershed Plan Update was provided to the Commission for review prior to this meeting.

Greg Williams, Barr Engineering, reviewed the notification letter of the Black Dog Watershed Management Organization’s 2022 Watershed Management Plan Update with the Commission. The notification is a requirement in the statute for the plan update. It is sent to plan review authority agencies inclusive of state, municipalities, adjacent watershed management organizations, sewer and water conservation districts, and MNDOT. The letter explains the WMO is starting their plan update process and requests these agencies provide input specific to the areas listed in the notification letter.

**Motion by** Thureen, second by Hughes, to distribute the notification letter as drafted.

Ayes – Baldwin, Helms, Hughes, Thureen, Harmening

Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

Greg Williams reviewed the list of questions for the interviews that will be scheduled and completed over the next two months with member cities and SWCD staff. Member cities will provide contacts for the interviews. Dakota County will also be invited to be interviewed with questions that apply to the County's groundwater plan. The results will be summarized and presented to the Commission.

**Motion by** Hughes, second by Thureen, to approve the interview questions for member cities, SWCD staff, and specific interview questions for a Dakota County groundwater representative.

Ayes – Baldwin, Helms, Hughes, Thureen, Harmening  
Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**

Karen Chandler asked what each Commissioner wants to address in the plan update.

- Thureen – strategic water bodies
- Harmening – climate change and matters associated with stormwater management
- Hughes – stakeholders' point of view on new issues, issues that might be obsolete, and what issues are the highest priority
- Baldwin – stormwater and groundwater issues, opportunity for long term positive impact

**No Formal Action Required**

VII. Miscellaneous

1. Next meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2020.

VIII. Adjournment

**Motion by** Thureen, second by Hughes, to adjourn at 5:54 p.m.

Ayes – Baldwin, Helms, Hughes, Thureen, Harmening  
Nays – None

**Motion Carried Unanimously**