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Minutes November 4, 2015

I. A regular meeting of the Elm Creek Watershed Management Commission was called to order at 11:32 a.m., Wednesday, November 4, 2015, in the Mayor's Conference Room, Maple Grove City Hall, 12800 Arbor Lakes Parkway, Maple Grove, MN by Chairman Doug Baines.

Present were: Bill Walraven, Champlin; Jon Bottema, Corcoran; Doug Baines, Dayton; Elizabeth Weir, Medina; Fred Moore, Plymouth; Kevin Jullie, Rogers; Ali Durgunoğlu and James Kujawa, Hennepin County Department of Environment and Energy (HCEE); Rich Brasch, Three Rivers Park District (TRPD); Jeff Weiss, Barr Engineering; and Judie Anderson, JASS.

Also present: Todd Tuominen, Champlin; Mark Lahtinen, Maple Grove; Ben Scharenbroich, Plymouth; and Andrew Simmons, Rogers.

A. Motion by Walraven, second by Jullie to approve the **agenda** as revised.* *Motion carried unanimously.*

B. Motion by Walraven, second by Jullie to approve the **minutes*** of the October 14, 2015 TAC and regular meetings. *Motion carried unanimously.*

C. Motion by Walraven, second by Moore to approve the **November Treasurer's Report and Claims*** totaling \$36,638.91. *Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion by Moore, second by Jullie to process **exceedances to the 2015 Hennepin County Services Agreement** by change order. *Motion carried unanimously.*

II. Open Forum.

[Bottema arrived 11:42 a.m.]

III. Action Items.

1. **Project Review 2014-029 Creative Lawn and Landscapes, Rogers.*** The applicant wants to expand their staging, parking and plant storage areas, increasing impervious areas by approximately 1.5 acres. To compensate for this expansion the applicant is proposing a small pond as part of the improvements. Staff requested additional information because the pond will discharge to a depressional area with single family homes adjacent to it. Revised plans were submitted on October 21, 2015, to address the issues listed in Staff findings dated October 22, 2014. In their October 26, 2015 findings, Staff recommended approval of the project with the condition that the O&M documents must be recorded within 90 days of the final plat approval by the city. Motion by Weir, second by Walraven to approve Staff's recommendation. *Motion carried unanimously.*

2. **Project Review 2015-021 The Pines at Elm Creek, Plymouth.*** This is a 29-acre parcel proposed to be developed into 58 single-family residential lots. Total disturbed area for the project is approximately 18.5 acres, adding approximately 5.6 acres of new impervious area. The current land use is predominantly low density single family homes. Stormwater will be managed through the construction of two new stormwater ponds. Elm Creek flows on the east edge of the site, so all drainage from the site eventually flows to Elm Creek. In their October 28, 2015 findings, Staff recommended approval contingent on receipt of a copy of a staff-approved recorded Maintenance and Operations Plan. Motion by Weir, second by Walraven to approve Staff's recommendation. *Motion carried unanimously.*

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IV. Watershed Management Plan. Included in the meeting packet was Table 4.5, Capital Improvement Program.* Commissioners were asked to review the spreadsheet with staff in their cities, updating and revising as appropriate. It is anticipated that the County ad valorem levy will be used to fund projects again in 2016.

V. Elm Creek Watershedwide TMDL. The TMDL is currently going through the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) supervisor review, after which time it will be released to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The draft WRAPS Report is still being reviewed by PCA. When available these documents will be uploaded to the Commission website for a courtesy 30-day review. At that time determination will be made as to whether a meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee should be convened.

VI. Other Business.

A. Communications.

1. Baines recapped the presentation by William Stowe, CEO and General Manager of the Des Moines Water Works, entitled **“Protecting Surface Waters in Agricultural Watersheds.”** The presentation is part of the Malcolm Moos Family Speaker Series sponsored in part by the Freshwater Society. Staff will forward the presentation to the Commissioners and request that their names be added to the Society’s ListServ to receive future announcements.

2. **Water Links** fall edition.

3. **Metro Summit for Lake and River Groups**, *Splash*, Minnehaha Watershed District.

B. Education. The next WMWA meeting is Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at Plymouth City Hall. Commissioners are encouraged to attend.

C. Grant Opportunities. Included in the meeting packet was an announcement of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) grant application information. Deadline for applications is November 20, 2015.

D. Staff will prepare a memo advising the Commissioners of the **projects that will be denied** at the January 13, 2016 meeting due to non-approval/review under the Rules and Standards of the Commission’s Second Generation Plan. All applicants of projects marked by (✓) have been advised by email letter of this pending action.

The following **projects** are discussed in the November Staff Report.* (“W” denotes wetland project.)

1. 2012-021W Kreps Wetland Violation, Corcoran.
2. 2013-038 River Hills, Dayton. ✓
3. 2013-040 Rush Creek Landing, Dayton.* ✓
4. 2013-041 Jomico, Corcoran.
5. 2013-046 Woods of Medina, Medina. ✓
6. 2014-015 Rogers Drive Extension, Rogers.
7. 2014-027 The Reserve at Elm Creek, Champlin. ✓
8. 2014-029 Creative Lawn and Landscapes, Rogers. ✓
9. 2014-033 Kinghorn Industrial Park Spec Building, Rogers. ✓
10. 2014-038 Sawgrass, Corcoran. ✓
11. 2014-042 Launch Park Addition (Outlot B), Rogers.
12. 2015-001 Highway 47/Troy Lane School, Plymouth.
13. 2015-004 Kinghorn Outlet A, Rogers.
14. 2015-006 Veit Building and Parking Lot Addition, Rogers.
15. 2015-007 Parkway Preserve, Rogers.
16. 2015-011 French Lake Industrial Center, Dayton.
17. 2015-013 Wayzata High School, Plymouth.
18. 2015-016 Brockton PUD, Plymouth.
19. 2015-017 The Pines at Blesi Farms, Dayton.
20. 2015-020 Strehler Estates, Corcoran.
21. 2015-021 The Pines at Elm Creek, Plymouth.
22. 2015-025 OP3 Outdoor Storage, Rogers.

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23. 2015-027W Park Place Storage Condominiums, Corcoran
24. 2015-028 Sundance Woods Phase II, Dayton.
25. 2015-029 Enclave at Rush Creek, Maple Grove.
26. 2015-030 Kiddiegarten Child Care Center, Maple Grove.
27. 2015-031 Rogers High School Auditorium Addition, Rogers.

E. **Adjournment.** There being no further business, motion by Weir, second by Walraven to adjourn. *Motion carried unanimously.* The meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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