

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MANAGERS
OF BUFFALO CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT

The Managers of Buffalo Creek Watershed District met on the 23rd day of January, 2007, at 1:00 P.M. at its regular meeting place in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 630 10th Street E., Glencoe, MN, for its regular monthly business meeting.

The following members were present:

Donald Belter
George Schlagel
Larry Phillips
Charles Kubesh
Corey Henke

Also attending the meeting were:

Pete Kasal, of the firm of
KEEFE & KASAL
Hutchinson, MN

Charles Eberhard, of the firm of
McCOMBS FRANK ROOS ASSOC.
Plymouth, MN

President Belter announced the first order of business was the consideration of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Managers held on December 26, 2006. After review of the minutes, upon motion of Manager Schlagel, which motion was seconded by Manager Kubesh, by unanimous vote the Board of Managers approved the minutes of the meeting held on December 26, 2006, amended as follows:

- (1) In the second paragraph on page 3, "Ryan Freitag" should be inserted in place of "Randy Freitag".
- (2) The motion in the fifth paragraph on page 3 should be changed to read as follows:
"Upon motion of Manager Phillips, which motion was seconded by Manager Henke, by unanimous vote the Board of Managers approved increasing the mileage reimbursement rate to 48.5¢ per mile effective January 1, 2007, and thereafter adjusting automatically each year to the IRS rate allowed".

President Belter next called upon Manager Phillips for the Treasurer's report, who presented a written report which outlined expenses and income as follows:

SAVINGS:

C.D.	\$ 58,059.96	
C.B.	216,422.67	
Rec'd: Interest to 12/28/06 (C/D #8358)	5,277.90	
Interest (Savings #4206225)	614.91	
Carver County	267.69	
Kandiyohi County	471.32	
Sibley County	897.12	
Renville County	15,390.13	
McLeod County	22,719.75	
State of Minnesota	5,011.87	
		\$325,133.32
LESS: Transfer to checking		<u>3,883.99</u>
JANUARY BALANCE		\$321,249.33

CHECKING:

December balance	\$ 2,353.70	
Deposit from savings	3,883.99	
Interest	<u>.10</u>	
		\$ 6,237.79
LESS: Checks drawn		<u>4,152.17</u>
JANUARY BALANCE		\$ 2,085.62

PROJECT 79-2:

CD #7949 and #11550	\$ 7,697.12	
Interest to 10/10/06	<u>808.61</u>	
		8,505.73
McLeod Co. Auditor/79-2 Fund		<u>54,330.36</u>
TOTAL 79-2 Funds		\$62,836.09

Upon motion of Manager Schlagel, which motion was seconded by Manager Henke, by unanimous vote the Board of Managers approved the Treasurer's Report.

President Belter next called for the bills that had been presented to the Board since the last meeting. Manager Phillips reported as follows:

Keefe & Kasal – attorneys fees	\$ 596.75
League of MN Cities – workers' comp.	87.00
McCombs Frank Roos – miscellaneous engineering	1,353.25
M.A.W.D. – annual dues	2,000.00
Donald Belter – per diem & mileage	81.79
Charles Kubesh – per diem & mileage	75.00
Corey Henke – per diem, mileage & website	242.46
Larry Phillips – per diem & mileage	314.55

George Schlagel – per diem & mileage	<u>106.04</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,856.84

Upon motion of Manager Phillips, which motion was seconded by Manager Schlagel, by unanimous vote the Board of Managers approved the above bills for payment.

President Belter next called upon Diane Sanders of the Crow River Watershed Association, who was in attendance at the meeting. Thereafter there was a general discussion between Ms. Sanders and the Board regarding the grant funds available between the watersheds. Ms. Sanders also stated there was a need for the Board of Managers to prepare a list of the value of inkind services provided by Buffalo Creek Watershed District toward Cost Sharing 319 Grants received last year. The Board advised Ms. Sanders to also send a bill to the Board of Managers for the Board's share of the cost-share portion of the grant, which is to be paid by Buffalo Creek Watershed District. Ms. Sanders reported that a significant portion of grant funds available for septic system updates have been utilized in both Renville and McLeod Counties.

Thereafter there was a general discussion of the water impairment classifications of Buffalo Creek and its tributaries. Ms. Sanders indicated that work will continue on water quality monitoring, and that ultimately the monitoring process will continue in the future to address sources of pollutants. She stated corrective actions will then be implemented to correct the sources of the contaminants. She reported that three locations in the Buffalo Creek Watershed were sampled for water quality during the 2006 year.

President Belter next called for new permits. Manager Kubesh reported that Permit No. 2006-10 granted to Minnesota Energy for the construction of a corn storage site near their plant in Buffalo Lake needed to be amended. After a general discussion, Manager Kubesh made a motion to amend Permit No. 2006-10 to allow a permanent site for storage at Minnesota Energy's plant, which motion was seconded by Manager Henke and by unanimous vote approved by the Board of Managers.

President Belter next called for items of old business. Engineer Eberhard reported that he has not had any response from Mr. Randall Thalmann regarding the letter sent to him requesting a permit application for placement of fill. It was the general consensus of the Board that additional time should be allowed for response before further action is taken by the Board.

President Belter next called for items of new business. Engineer Eberhard provided a copy of the Clean Water Legacy Grant Agreement he had received from the State of Minnesota. After review by the Board of the agreement, upon motion of Manager Phillips, which motion was seconded by Manager Kubesh, by unanimous vote the Board authorized President Belter to sign the Grant Agreement on behalf of the Board of Managers. Engineer Eberhard stated that once a work plan is prepared and submitted to the State, the money would be released for the proposed projects.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Managers adjourned the meeting until the next regular meeting of the Board of Managers on Tuesday, February 27, 2007, at 1:00 P.M. at its regular meeting place in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 630 10th St. E., Glencoe, MN.

Charles Kubesh, Secretary