Pursuant to notice and due call a regular meeting of the Upper Minnesota River Watershed District Board was held Tuesday October 1, 2019 at the district office at 211 Second Street SE in Ortonville, MN. Board members present were: Holker, Gillespie, Haugen, Bork and Meyer. Staff member present was Doschadis. There were no members of the public in attendance.

Chairperson Holker called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

MINUTES
Minutes with Disbursements from the August 13, 2019 meeting were reviewed.
Motion to approve by Holker seconded by Gillespie. Motion carried 5-0
Minutes from the September 10, 2019 regular meeting were reviewed.
Motion to approve the minutes, noting that September Disbursements are absent from the minutes, was made by Haugen, seconded by Meyer. Motion carried 5-0

CORRESPONDENCE
1. Swenson Lake update was given be Administrator
2. Meeting with City of Browns Valley and Representative Backer, overview was given by Administrator.

OLD BUSINESS
1. Whetstone River Restoration
   a. Clean Water Funds Loan Update was given-MPCA responded to our email and Administrator will complete application soon.
   b. Representative Backer’s continued support in the project was discussed.
2. Toelle Coulee
   a. Project Timeline was given by Administrator.
   b. Funding for next phase was discussed. A motion was made by Meyer, seconded by Haugen to have Houston Engineering review the project and estimated expenses. Motion carried 5-0
3. Browns Valley Diversion Channel
   a. Future Bridge Replacement Account was discussed with City and Representative Backer We will schedule a meeting with South Dakota representatives soon.
   b. Spraying for Trees- Larson’s completed via helicopter last week.
   c. Diversion Cleanout East of County Road 4. HEI continues to work on plan. District will review bids and hope to award project at November Meeting
5. Beardsley Dry Lake
   a. Repair Options in Section 12 were discussed. A motion was made by Haugen, seconded by Bork to leave the two breaks open through the winter. Staff will have contractor slope the banks to prevent erosion. Motion carried 5-0
   A motion was made by Bork, seconded by Meyer to allow staff to schedule the remaining system to be viewed by camera, ideally after crops are off this fall. Motion carried 5-0
   A motion was made by Gillespie, seconded by Haugen to approve signing the Assignments of Agreement/Easement after the City of Beardsley releases them to the district. Motion carried 5-0
NEW BUSINESS
1. Wetland Restoration Email from USFWS was reviewed and board members directed Administrator on a response.
2. MAWD Annual Convention attendance was discussed.
3. MAWD Delegates
   A motion was made by Gillespie seconded by Holker to approve Haugen and Bork was delegates and Meyer as alternate. Motion carried 5-0
4. Employee Committee
   Motion by Gillespie, seconded by Haugen for Bork to fill vacancy left by retired manager. Motion carried 5-0
5. Employee Evaluations will be scheduled before the November Meeting.

NEW PERMITS
106-19. Terry Gillespie- NE ¼ Lower Prior 2. Tabled for additional information from surrounding landowners
107-19. Al Webster- NE ¼ of SW ¼ Odessa 19. Motion to Approve, pending Big Stone County Approval-Meyer seconded by Haugen. Motion carried 5-0
108-19. Thomas Holker- SE ¼ Foster 10. Motion to Approve, pending Township Approval- Gillespie seconded by Haugen. Motion carried 5-0

ADMINISTRATOR APPROVED
109-19. Mary Klien- Foster 29. Shoreline
110-19. Gene Weihe- Foster 34. Shoreline

PERMITS PENDING
9-18. Shible Twp. (SE ¼, SE ¼ Sec. 3 Shible)
20-18. Steve Mitlyng- 75855 Sunset View, Sec. 18 Big Stone
22-18. Bruce Moberg- SW ¼ Almond 27 Remove, combining permit with #48-19
31-18. Paul Volkenant- NW ¼, SW ¼ Odessa 9
36-18. David Botker - SW ¼ Prior 1
50-18. Todd Sandberg- NE ¼ Prior 36
60-18. Kevin Gloege- NE ¼ Odessa 22
67-18. Greg Thompson- N ½, SE ¼ Otrey 17
7-19. David Botker - SE ¼ Prior 1
10-19. ASF Inc. E ½ Big Stone 23
11-19. ASF Inc. SE ¼ Otrey 2
14-19. Eugene Tesch- E ½, SE ¼ Foster 27
15-19. Eugene Tesch - NW ¼ Foster 35
20-19. Mike Vangsness- NE ¼ Lower Prior 1
25-19. Matt Hipple- SW ¼ Big Stone 13
35-19. Doug Nelson- NW ¼ Big Stone 5
48-19. Shane Maas- N ½ of NE ¼ Odessa 27
49-19. Tom Herberg- N ½ Foster 21
50-19. Roger Folk- Lakeshore Lower Prior 13
51-19. Raymond Arens- SE ¼ Toqua 23
59-19. Mark Botker- E ½ Almond 21
68-19. Douglas Diekmann- E ½ Toqua 3
70-19. Prior Township-SE¼ of SE¼ Prior 23
93-19. Terry Gillespie- E ½ of NW ¼ Malta 36
94-19. Gillespie/ Strong- S ½ NE ¼ Malta 36 Signature obtained
96-19. Gary Haugen- NE ¼ of NE ¼ Almond 14
100-19. Pete Holme- SE ¼ Akron 7
101-19. Jim Nelson- E ½ Big Stone 26 & 35 Signature obtained
102-19. Wayne Zych- E ½ and S ½ Arthur 34
103-19. Wayne Zych- NE ¼ Arthur 34
104-19 Evan Holker- NW ¼ Otrey 16

UPCOMING EVENTS:
UMRWD Regular Meeting – November 12, 2019 – 1:00 p.m.

October 2019 Disbursements

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Cenbank Certificate

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Total Minnwest Bank Maintenance Fund: $19,028.84

Holker adjourned the meeting at 3:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by, Approved by,

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Amber Doschadis, Administrator Gene Meyer, Secretary