

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Okabena-Ocheda Watershed District Board of Managers
June 6, 2017

The regular meeting of the Okabena-Ocheda Watershed District Board of Managers was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Present were managers Casey Ingenthron, Les Johnson, Rolf Mahlberg, Jay Milbrandt and Jeff Rogers. Also present were: Bob Demuth, Jr, county commissioner; Brad Harberts, county ditch inspector; Keith Schroeder, advisory committee member; John Shea, SWCD Manager; and Dan Livdahl, administrator.

The minutes of the June regular board meeting were reviewed. Ingenthron moved to approve the minutes. Rogers seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Johnson, Mahlberg, Milbrandt, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's report and bills payable were discussed. Mahlberg moved to approve the Treasurer's report, pay the bills and transfer \$8,000 from savings to checking. Ingenthron seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Johnson, Mahlberg, Milbrandt, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

The engineer has not completed the legal description for the Prairie View project easement. Worthington will issue a permanent easement for the construction and operation and maintenance of the project as soon as they receive the legal description. Rogers moved to accept the easement. Ingenthron seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Johnson, Mahlberg, Milbrandt, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Nobles County 4-H members installed three floating island wetlands in Sunset Bay on May 20th. Livdahl and Ingenthron moved one of the islands that drifted too close to the Olson Park dock.

4-H members volunteered to pick up trash at Bella Park this year. Julie Buntjer arranged the member schedule.

Jeppesen installed crushed blacktop on the road to the northern shelter and restroom at Bella Park. He also did some road grading.

Milbrandt and Livdahl drove an ATV through Bella Park on the west side of the lake. Trees will need to be removed there to maintain vehicle access in the future. Mahlberg will use his brush mower.

Stop logs in the Ocheda Dam need replacement soon. Livdahl will monitor the dam and consult with the DNR as needed.

NEW BUSINESS

A draft operation and maintenance plan for the ponds and sand filters at the Prairie View site was reviewed. By signing the agreement, the district assumes responsibility for the costs of operation and maintenance. Mahlberg moved to accept and sign the O&M plan. Ingenthron seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Johnson, Mahlberg, Milbrandt, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried. An Okabena-Ocheda-Bella Clean Water Partnership Joint Powers Board meeting will be scheduled to talk about managing the project site. They may elect to pay the cost of O&M.

Johnson, Ingenthron and Livdahl will attend the Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts summer tour this month in Bemidji. A business meeting will be held to reorganize MAWD. Mahlberg moved to authorize Johnson and Ingenthron to be the district's voting delegates. Rogers seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Johnson, Mahlberg, Milbrandt, Rogers. Opposed: none. Motion carried.

PERMITS

Rogers moved to approve the following permit applications:

V&O Properties – to perform erosion and sediment control during construction of townhomes at 1078 and 1088 South Crailsheim Drive, Worthington

City of Worthington – to perform erosion and sediment control during concrete pavement restoration projects in Worthington.

City of Worthington – to perform erosion and sediment control during reconstruction of a water main and replacement of catch basins on Elmwood Avenue, Worthington.

City of Worthington – to perform erosion and sediment control during pavement removal and replacement and ADA ramp installation on Humiston Avenue and Fifth Avenue, Worthington.

City of Worthington – to implement a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan during construction on McMillan Street and Ryan’s Road, Worthington.

Milbrandt seconded the motion. Affirmative: Ingenthron, Johnson, Mahlberg, Milbrandt, Rogers. Opposed: none.
Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular board meeting will be held at 4:00 p.m. on July 11, 2017 in the Nobles County Public Works Building at 960 Diagonal Road.

Meeting adjourned.