

COON CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT BOARD OF MANAGERS' MEETING

The Board of Managers of the Coon Creek Watershed District held their regular meeting on Monday, February 24, 2025, at the Coon Creek Watershed District Office.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM

Board Members Present: Mary Campbell, Jim Hafner, Erin Lind, Jason Lund, and Dwight McCullough.

Staff Present: Tim Kelly, Corinne Elfelt, Justine Dauphinais, Abbey Lee, Jon Janke (virtual), Erik Bye (virtual), Emma Krause and Michelle Ulrich

Others: Jennifer Lattin, City of Columbus

2. Approval of the Agenda

Board Member Campbell moved to approve the amended agenda. Seconded by Board Member Lund. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

3. Announcements – Introduction of Jennifer Lattin, City of Columbus Council Member

4. Open Mic/Public Comment

No one was present for comment.

CONSENT ITEMS

5. Approval of Minutes of February 10, 2025

6. Approval of Bills for Payment

Claims totaling \$49,069.38 on the following disbursement list will be issued and released upon Board approval.

Vendor	Amount
V0015--ANOKA COUNTY MN	9,227.06
V0112--ELFELT, CORINNE K	61.34
V0137--HAUGO GEOTECHNICAL SVCS LLC	10,180.00
V0197--VANDERBILT, CHASE	67.20
V0221--ABDO LLP	66.25
V0242--METRO I NET	199.00
V0242--METRO I NET	3,367.06
V0247--POOP 911 OF MPLS STP LLC	1,181.40
V0281--UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA FOUNDATION	10,000.00
V0350--FIRST UNUM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	1,062.78
V0351--DELTA DENTAL OF MN	1,668.24
V0352--HEALTH EQUITY INC	26.75
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V0362--PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION	7,356.36
V0363--MINNESOTA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM	1,320.00
V0364--KUEPERS INC	519.89
V0365--FLINT HILLS RESOURCES	1,920.79
V0366--KRAUSE, EMMA	67.20
	49,069.38

Board Member Lind moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items. Seconded by Board Member McCullough. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

POLICY ITEMS

7. 2025 Water Quality Cost Share Awards

Justine Dauphinais, CCWD Water Quality Coordinator, noted that in 2018, the Board approved establishment of a CCWD Water Quality Cost Share Program in the amount of \$100,000. In 2024, continuation and expansion of the program was approved for 2025 totaling \$290,000 in available cost share funds under three categories: General Water Quality Improvement Projects and Practices (\$125,000), Enhanced Street Sweeping (\$150,000) and Water Quality Improvement Planning/Feasibility (\$15,000).

Ms. Dauphinais reviewed that staff report highlighting the 2025 Q1 RFP, the following applications were received and scored. Funding recommendations totaling \$53,837.50 are listed below:

Title (Applicant)	Eligible?	Average Score (out of 30)	Water Quality Benefits & Notes	Funding Recommendation (of requested amount)
General Projects & Practices				
Private Sanitary I&I investigation/mitigation (Coon Rapids)	Y	22.3	-E. coli and TP load reductions in Coon and Sand Cr (Categorical TMDL Wasteloads) -Mississippi Rv drinking source water protection -Applied for \$15K planning funds in 2024	\$26,100 (of \$26,100)
Joma plow blades (Andover)	Y	20.4	-Reduced CI and TSS loading to Coon Cr to address aquatic life impairments -Salt use per event has declined with adoption of Joma blades (and other smart salting practices) per J. Baumunk -Applied for 2 sets Joma blades in 2022	\$5,737.50 (of \$5,737.50)
Goose Management (Coon Rapids)	Y	17	-E. coli and TP load reduction to Coon Cr, Springbrook Cr, and the Mississippi River. -Applied for \$3K in 2019 & 2021	\$10,000 (of \$10,000)
Street Sweeping Enhancements				
N/A				
WQ Improvement Planning				

2026 Street Project Rain Garden Analysis (Fridley)	Y	21.3	-Future volume (and TSS/TP) reduction to Oak Glen Cr and Mississippi River. See OGC SRA study for modeled estimates depending on location/landowner interest -No required stormwater treatment is anticipated as part of road recon work, so all benefits would be considered above-and-beyond	\$12,000 (of \$12,000)
TOTAL Recommended Awards				\$53,837.50

Staff recommendation was to award the cost-share funds as identified in the chart above.

Board Member Lund moved to award the cost-share funds as presented in the staff report. Seconded by Board Member McCullough. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

PERMIT ITEMS – No permit items

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. Initiate Boundary Correction

Erik Bye, CCWD Planning Coordinator, noted in 2023, Ham Lake requested a boundary change to update the legal boundary between Coon Creek Watershed District (CCWD) and Sunrise River Watershed Management Organization (SRWMO) to better match the hydrologic boundary and was approved by the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) in December 2023. In early 2024, a few parcels were found that switched from CCWD to SRWMO jurisdiction but were not included in the table of impacted parcels in the 2023 boundary petition and should have been. Mr. Bye informed the Board that BWSR staff instructed CCWD staff that a new boundary amendment petition was necessary to include the few parcels affected by the 2023 boundary change not originally listed in the impacted parcels table.

Staff recommendation is that the Board direct staff to draft a new boundary petition to amend the 2023 boundary change with Sunrise River Watershed Management Organization to include the few parcels missed in that petition and send said petition for concurrence to appropriate parties.

Board Member Hafner moved to direct staff to draft a new boundary petition and send said petition to appropriate parties. Seconded by Board Member Lund. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Campbell, Hafner, Lind, Lund, and McCullough) and no nays.

9. Legislative Update

Tim Kelly, District Administrator, expanded on the written Legislative Update provided in the Board Packet.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Campbell moved to adjourn at 6:17 pm. Seconded by Board Member Lund. The motion carried with five (5) yeas (Board Members Lund, Hafner, and Campbell) and no nays.



President