



## REGULAR MEETING OF THE RCWD BOARD OF MANAGERS

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Mounds View City Hall Council Chambers  
2401 County Road 10, Mounds View, Minnesota  
and

Meeting also conducted by alternative means  
(teleconference or video-teleconference) from remote locations

### Minutes

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Michael Bradley called the meeting to order, a quorum being present, at 9:00 a.m.

#### ROLL CALL

Present: President Michael Bradley, 1st Vice-Pres. John Waller, Treasurer, Marcie Weinandt, and Secretary Jess Robertson

Absent: None

Staff Present: Administrator Nick Tomczik, Regulatory Manager Patrick Hughes, Drainage & Facilities Manager Tom Schmidt, Program Technician Emmet Hurley (video-conference), Communications & Outreach Manager Kendra Sommerfeld, Office Manager Theresa Stasica

Consultants: District Engineer Chris Otterness from Houston Engineering, Inc. (HEI) and District Attorney John Kolb from Rinke Noonan

Visitors: None

#### OPEN MIC/PUBLIC COMMENT

#### SETTING OF THE AGENDA

President Bradley noted that they would remove item 4 from the agenda because the Board wanted to send this back to the Citizen Advisory Commission (CAC) for their feedback on the CAC Member Operating Procedure Policy Updates for 2026, and noted that a revised CAC appointment handout had been placed at the dais for the Board.

***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Robertson, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 4-0.***

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32 **READING OF THE MINUTES AND THEIR APPROVAL**

33 Minutes of the December 8, 2025, Workshop and December 10, 2025, Board of Managers  
34 Regular Meeting. *Motion by Manager Robertson, seconded by Manager Weinandt, to*  
35 *approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.*

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37 **CONSENT AGENDA**

38 The following items will be acted upon without discussion in accordance with the staff recommendation  
39 and associated documentation unless a Manager or another interested person requests an opportunity  
40 for discussion:

41 **Table of Contents-Permit Applications Requiring Board Action**

No.	Applicant	Location	Plan Type	Recommendation
25-102	ROC Communications	Columbus	Final Site Drainage Plan	CAPROC 7 items
25-111	Lyngblomsten Senior Housing Inc	Lino Lakes	Final Site Drainage Plan	CAPROC 3 items
25-117	Anoka County Highway Department	Fridley	Street & Utility Plan	CAPROC 4 items

48 *Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Weinandt, to approve the Consent Agenda  
49 as outlined in the above Table of Contents in accordance with RCWD District Engineer's Findings  
50 and Recommendations, dated January 5, 2026, presented. Motion carried 4-0.*

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52 **ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

53 1. **Oath of Office for Managers Robertson and Weinandt**

54 District Attorney Kolb administered the Oath of Office to Managers Robertson and  
55 Weinandt.

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57 2. **Anoka County Ditch 55 – Petition for the Transfer of Branch #8**

58 Drainage and Facilities Manager Schmidt explained that the District had received a  
59 petition for the transfer of Branch #8 of ACD 55 and briefly reviewed the procedural steps  
60 to be followed in this process.

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62 *Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Weinandt, to adopt Resolution 2026-  
63 01 Resolution Findings And Order Accepting Petition, Appointing Engineer And Initiating  
64 Proceedings For Partial Drainage System Transfer Of Anoka County Ditch 55, Branch 8,  
65 Pursuant To Minnesota Statutes §103e.812.*

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67 **ORDER**

68 A. The Board of Managers hereby accepts the petition and appoints Houston  
69 Engineering, Inc., to review the proposed transfer of the portion (Branch 8) of ACD  
70 55 to the City of Lino Lakes as Water Management Authority and to prepare a  
report and recommendation for the Board's review and consideration.

71           B. Upon receipt of the Engineer's report, and after consultation with the Board, staff  
72           is directed to notice a public hearing on the petitioned transfer pursuant to  
73           Minnesota Statutes section 103E.812.

74           **ROLL CALL:**

75           **Manager Bradley – Aye**  
76           **Manager Robertson – Aye**  
77           **Manager Waller – Aye**  
78           **Manager Weinandt – Aye**  
79           ***Motion carried 4-0.***

80           **3. Washington Judicial Ditch #2 Maintenance Work Order**

81           Drainage and Facilities Manager Schmidt reviewed the Work Order request for  
82           maintenance of WJD #2 between Highway 61 and its terminus at 65<sup>th</sup> Street in Hugo. He  
83           explained that this work was necessary to physically reestablish the ditch right-of-way  
84           and provide needed access for channel excavation. He noted that this work order would  
85           just be for tree work at this time.

86           ***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve the work order  
87           for Hugo's Tree Service, not to exceed \$54,230 (the estimated amount plus a 10%  
88           [\$4,930.00] contingency), delegated to the Administrator.***

89           Manager Waller noted that this was a highly treed area, and he did not believe the District  
90           had recently worked on it.

91           Drainage and Facilities Manager Schmidt stated that this is the remaining piece of JD2  
92           that was not maintained in the 2005 maintenance projects.

93           ***Motion carried 4-0.***

94           **4. Citizen Advisory Committee Member Appointments for 2026**

95           Communications & Outreach Manager Sommerfeld presented the recommended slate of  
96           appointments for the CAC for 2026.

97           President Bradley noted that everyone presented for appointment had already served on  
98           the CAC and had proven to be quality members of the CAC.

99           ***Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Weinandt, to appoint the following  
100           slate of CAC members for 2026.***

Name	Affiliation or Organization	County
Asleson, Kate	Anoka County	Anoka
Rebecca Keller	Lino Lakes	Anoka
Truchon, Mary Jo*	Anoka Conservation District	Anoka

O'Connell, Teresa	Lino Lakes	Anoka
Lazarus, William	Shoreview	Ramsey
Gebhard, Lisa	New Brighton	Ramsey
Schroeder, Michael*	Ramsey Conservation Department	Ramsey
Lindholm, Matt*	Washington SWCD	Washington
McDonald, Jim	New Brighton	Ramsey

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110       ***Motion carried 4-0.***

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112   **5. Check Register Dated January 14, 2026, in the Amount of \$266,529.12, Prepared by**  
 113   **Redpath and Company**

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115       ***Motion by Manager Weinandt, seconded by Manager Robertson, to approve the check***  
 116       ***register dated January 14, 2026, in the Amount of \$266,529.12, prepared by Redpath***  
 117       ***and Company. Motion carried 4-0.***

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119       **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION**

120   **1. District Engineer Updates and Timeline**

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122   **2. Administrator Updates**

123       District Administrator Tomczik noted the resignation of Manager Wagamon and  
 124       explained that staff were looking into creating a plaque to honor his time serving on the  
 125       Board.

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127   **3. Manager Updates**

128       Manager Waller gave a brief review of the discussion that took place at the landowner  
 129       meeting for ACD 53-62. He stated that he felt it was important that the District take a  
 130       look and find some way to lower the water levels in that ditch system. He noted that he  
 131       would like to hear a more detailed plan from staff on how they were going to work on  
 132       lobbying efforts at the capital and suggested that they start with members of the  
 133       Environment Committee and the Agriculture Committee.

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135       The Board briefly discussed its proposed resolution to Mn Watersheds and frustration  
 136       with the services and approach of Mn Watersheds' lobbyists.

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138       **ADJOURNMENT**

139       ***Motion by Manager Robertson, seconded by Manager Waller, to adjourn the meeting at 9:23***  
 140       ***a.m. Motion carried 4-0.***

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