



## REGULAR MEETING OF THE RCWD BOARD OF MANAGERS

Wednesday, September 10, 2025

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, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Pres. John Waller, Treasurer Marcie Weinandt, and Secretary Jess Robertson

Absent: 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Pres. Steve Wagamon (with prior notice)

Staff Present: Lake & Stream Manager Matt Kocian, Regulatory Manager Patrick Hughes, Outreach & Grant Technician Molly Nelson, Drainage & Facilities Manager Tom Schmidt, Project Manager David Petry, Technician Emmet Hurley (video-conference), Office Manager Theresa Stasica

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

Visitors: David Swearingen-City of Arden Hills

#### OPEN MIC/PUBLIC COMMENT

#### SETTING OF THE AGENDA

Lake & Stream Manager Kocian requested the addition of Action Item #6 RCWD/DNR Joint Powers Agreement.

The managers by consensus agreed to the addition.

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Marcie Weinandt  
Ramsey County

John J. Waller  
Washington County

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

**Minutes of the August 27, 2025, Board of Managers Regular Meeting. Motion by *Manager Robertson, seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve the minutes with an amendment to the typographical error, line 84, that should read \$6,362,719. Motion carried 4-0.***

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

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

<b>No.</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Plan Type</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
25-070	MN Management Partners LLC	Columbus	Final Site Drainage Plan	CAPROC 6 items
25-074	Java Lino Retail 2.0 LLC	Lino Lakes	Final Site Drainage Plan Land Development	CAPROC 6 items
25-081	Skip Cook	Lino Lakes	Final Site Drainage Plan	CAPROC 7 items

***It was moved by Manager Weinant, and seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve the consent agenda as outlined in the above Table of Contents in accordance with RCWD District Engineer's Findings and Recommendations, dated September 2, 2025. Motion carried 4-0.***

### **Water Quality Grant Program Cost Share Application (Molly Nelson)**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Project Type</b>	<b>Eligible Cost</b>	<b>Pollutant Reduction</b>	<b>Funding Recommendation</b>
R25-09	City of White Bear Lake	White Bear Lake	Curb-Cut Raingarden	\$7,203.50	Volume: 2,937 cu-ft/yr TSS: 72 lbs/yr TP: 0.25 lbs/yr	75% cost share of \$5,402.62 not to exceed 75%; or \$10,000 whichever cost is lower

***It was moved by Manager Weinandt, and seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve the consent agenda as outlined in the above Table of Contents in accordance with RCWD Outreach and Grants Technician's Recommendations, dated September 4, 2025.***

Manager Waller asked for clarification on whether she had said the landowner would reimburse the city, and the District would be giving the city the money that the landowner would be giving back.

Outreach & Grant Technician Molly Nelson stated that it was correct.

59 Manager Waller asked if the city was going to get a profit of \$7,000.

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61 Outreach & Grant Technician Nelson explained that it was not correct and stated that the city  
62 was applying on behalf of the landowner, in part because they were hiring all the contractors  
63 for the work. She stated that the intent was to make everything more streamlined in the  
64 payment of the contractors. ***Motion carried 4-0.***

65 President Bradley noted that he had been contacted by the Reed family, who expressed to him  
66 how appreciative they were of Outreach & Grant Technician Nelson's efforts and that she was  
67 great at her job.

## 68 **PUBLIC HEARING: PETITION TO PARTIALLY ABANDON ANOKA COUNTY DITCH 72**

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70 District Attorney Kolb suggested that the Board recess the regular Board meeting in order to hold  
71 the next Public Hearing items and then reconvene the regular meeting.

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73 ***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Bradley, to recess the regular RCWD Board***  
74 ***meeting for the 3 public hearings. Motion carried.***

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76 President Bradley read aloud a statement outlining the purpose of the hearing, which was to  
77 receive comments from the public on the petition to inform the Board of the public's concerns.  
78 The Board's decision on the petition is based on standards found in Minnesota Statutes Section  
79 103E.806. For the proposed abandonment, the Board must consider, in light of the prior  
80 authorizations and modifications of ACD 72, whether the portion of the drainage system now  
81 proposed to be abandoned: a) serves a substantial useful purpose as part of the drainage system  
82 to any property remaining in the system; and b) provides substantial public benefit and utility.

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84 President Bradley stated that the notice of the time and location of the public hearing was  
85 published in the St. Paul Pioneer Press once for 3 consecutive weeks, published in the local  
86 newspaper, posted on the District website and office, and emailed to the District list service.  
87 The notice was also mailed to the petitioners, owners of property, and political subdivisions likely  
88 to be affected by the proposed action.

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90 The Board received a petition and bond from the Petitioners requesting the following: Abandon  
91 ACD 72 Branch 1 Lateral 8 (approx. 600 feet); Abandon ACD 72 Branch 1 Lateral 11 (approx. 1,225  
92 feet). Also, crush and cap the existing tile on both sides of 20th Ave North; and Abandon ACD 72  
93 Branch 1 from approximately STA 15+45 to approximately STA 27+33 (approx. 1,188 feet).

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95 The petitioned action is for the beneficial purpose of facilitating the development of property  
96 adjacent to the drainage system and platted for development as the Peltier Ponds and Erickson  
97 Subdivision developments. Further, the petitioned action is necessary to avoid conflict with the  
98 infrastructure for residential development proposed under RCWD Permit #25-046. The Peltier  
99 Ponds and Erickson Subdivision developments will modify the routing of stormwater throughout  
100 the sites, and so the sites will no longer need to utilize the abandoned portions of CD 72 as an

101 outlet. The Board accepted the petition and bond under statutes section 103E.806 and appointed  
102 Houston Engineering to prepare a report assessing the impact of the proposed action.

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104 District Engineer Otterness gave an overview of the engineering report for the petition for  
105 abandonment of ACD-72. He outlined the basis for review, site location, proposed  
106 abandonments, properties involved, purpose of the abandonment, effects of the abandonment,  
107 and permitting. He explained that they were recommending that the District partially abandon  
108 ACD-72 with the conditions as presented.

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110 Manager Waller stated that the two things the District prioritizes are flood control and water  
111 quality. He asked if District Engineer Otterness had pointed out that there would not be any  
112 extra water from the development itself being put into the system, but the upstream portions of  
113 the system across the highway would still have access for their drainage and would not be limited.

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115 District Engineer Otterness explained that all of the property that is draining into this part of the  
116 system is owned by the petitioners other than Anoka County right-of-way, which will be served  
117 by the stormwater infrastructure that's remaining. He stated that other portions of ACD-72 will  
118 be unaffected by this action.

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120 Manager Waller stated that this was a conversion on land from fields with bare soils to  
121 impervious surfaces. He referenced a study done on Lake Waconia that showed that when land  
122 use was changed from agricultural crops to residential, there was an improvement in the  
123 phosphorus that went into the lake. He stated that this action may provide a water quality  
124 improvement for Peltier Lake and asked District Engineer Otterness if he agreed.

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126 District Engineer Otterness stated that the District rules require features like stormwater pond  
127 management on-site that are intended to protect downstream resources at no net loss or  
128 harm. He agreed that there was the potential to decrease some of the nutrients and sediment  
129 from going downstream, as a result of the application of District rules to the development.

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131 President Bradley asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak at the public hearing.

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133 There were no public comments.

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136 ***Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Waller, to Adopt Resolution 2025-07 Rice***  
137 ***Creek Watershed District Board Of Managers, Drainage Authority For Anoka County Ditch 72,***  
138 ***Findings And Order Authorizing Partial Abandonment***

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140 **ORDER**  
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- A. The Board of Managers approves the petitioned action and authorizes the abandonment of the following portions of ACD 72, subject to the conditions set forth in the engineer's report and as stated herein:
- ACD 72 Branch 1 Lateral 8 (approx. 600 feet).
  - ACD 72 Branch 1 Lateral 11 (approx. 1,225 feet). Also, crush and cap the existing tile on both sides of 20th Ave North
  - ACD 72 Branch 1 from approximately STA 15+45 to approximate STA 27+33 (approx. 1,188 feet).
- B. The cost of proceedings shall be charged to the Petitioner's bond in the proceedings. Any deficiency in the bond to cover the cost of the proceedings shall be paid by the Petitioners as a condition to approval and prior to the release of this order.
- C. Upon payment of costs and completion of work necessary for the abandonment of portions of ACD 72 authorized herein, the drainage system record shall be amended to reflect the modified condition of the drainage system.
- D. To the extent the actions authorized herein require permits or approvals of other regulatory authorities, including the RCWD in its role as Watershed District, receipt of such permits or approvals is a precondition to implementation of said actions.
- E. Once all contingencies are satisfied and the actions completed, the engineer is directed to prepare a record of the drainage system modification authorized herein to be filed in the drainage system record.
- F. Petitioners must complete all work necessary for the abandonment of portions of ACD 72 authorized herein on a timeline as required by development permits.

**ROLL CALL:**

***Manager Bradley – Aye***

***Manager Robertson – Aye***

***Manager Wagamon – Absent***

***Manager Waller – Aye***

***Manager Weinandt – Aye***

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

**ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**1. RCWD Board Adoption 2026 Budget, Set Levy, Certify WMD Charges**

President Bradley noted that the Board had spent several hours during their recent Workshop meeting to finalize the District budget and levy, and noted that they had added money related to ACD 10-22-32 to fund efforts to move this project forward.

***Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Weinandt, to adopt Resolution 2025-08 Resolution to Adopt 2026 Budget and Direct Certification of 2026 Tax Levy.***

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Rice Creek Watershed District Board of Managers adopts a 2026 general fund and plan implementation budget totaling \$11,193,092;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a levy of \$6,362,719 be certified to the Counties of Anoka, Ramsey, Hennepin and Washington and levied upon all taxable property in the Rice Creek Watershed District for the year 2026, as authorized by the Metropolitan Surface Water Management Act, Minnesota Statutes Section 103B.241, to pay the cost to prepare the District's watershed management plan and for projects identified in the plan as necessary to implement the purposes of Minnesota Statutes Section 103B.201;

Manager Waller suggested an amendment to the motion to put the levy back to what it was last year, while maintaining the overall budget, and that the difference come from the balance fund.

***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Robertson, to amend the motion on the table as follows:***

***No change to overall budget or budget lines (total 2026 budget \$11,293,092), which includes an increase of \$100,000 to line 80-26, Authorize \$218,782 to be transferred from Project Anticipation Fund (line 99-60) to supplement funding of the budget. Reduce Ad Valorem tax required for budget to \$6,143,782 (reducing to 2025 tax level, 0% increase from 2025 and reflecting the \$218,782 authorized from reserves (99-60)).***

President Bradley noted that much of the \$10 million was already committed to other projects, so they do not have to go out and take on debt to do projects. He stated that when the only increase in the actual taxes was about \$218,000, he did not believe it was the time to use any Project Anticipation Fund dollars for that purpose. He stated that the increase in the tax levy was about what inflation is and would like to see the Board save that money for when it was needed instead of using it now when they were already doing a good job of maintaining their budget. He explained that he would vote against the proposed amendment. He believed this was a matter of public policy in how the Board wanted to spend its reserves.

Manager Waller noted that the Board had reached into their reserves before and felt this was a way to save the taxpayers a few extra dollars and share with them the good work that has been done by the District staff in obtaining grants.

Manager Robertson stated that she had questions about the Project Anticipation Fund. She noted that she assumed the balance in that fund was comprised of previous unspent levy dollars and awarded grants.

Lake and Stream Manager Kocian stated that it did hold unspent levy dollars but did not contain unspent grant funds.

Manager Robertson stated that she would assume that historically, the balance had generally been healthy. She stated that if this really contained unspent levy dollars, she didn't believe the Board arguing over \$220,000 coming out of that fund, when it had already been levied on residents, was unreasonable to be able to maintain a 0% levy increase.

President Bradley reiterated that this fund balance was not just money sitting there and has been committed to other projects.

Manager Weinandt referenced where this information could be found within the packet that outlined the projects that were anticipated. She explained that she was all for keeping levies low, but she also has a philosophical challenge that if you don't continue to increase the levy in a small amount, they will have to make larger levy increases in the future.

President Bradley noted that he would like to have a discussion about this as an overall policy discussion when all 5 members of the Board could be present.

Manager Robertson stated that she felt they had all made their points and suggested that they move on to the vote.

President Bradley explained that even though it displeased him, he would vote in favor of Manager Waller's proposed amendment because it was important to have all 4 Board members vote in favor of the budget. He stated that he wanted the Board to have a discussion next year when they begin budget discussions about the appropriate treatment of the reserves.

District Attorney Kolb restated the motion for a friendly amendment by Manager Waller that was seconded by Manager Robertson.

**ROLL CALL VOTE ON AMENDMENT:**

***Manager Bradley – Aye***

***Manager Robertson – Aye***

***Manager Wagamon – Absent***

***Manager Waller – Aye***

***Manager Weinandt – Nay***

***Motion carried 3-1.***

President Bradley noted that with this, the change to the resolution from the original motion to adopt Resolution 2025-08 to Adopt 2026 Budget and Direct Certification of

2026 Tax Levy would be that the levy would not be \$6,362,810, as originally stated, but instead, \$6,143,782.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Manager Bradley – Aye**

**Manager Robertson – Aye**

**Manager Wagamon – Absent**

**Manager Waller – Aye**

**Manager Weinandt – Aye**

**Motion carried 4-0.**

**2. Anoka County Ditch 53-62 Branches 5 & 6 Public Hearing Continuance – Order**

District Attorney Kolb noted that this item was a continuation of a public hearing and explained that there had been a few changes since the original public hearing that were reflected in the draft order.

Drainage and Facilities Manager Schmidt explained that the changes in the order relate to charges under the WMD for one landowner.

District Engineer Otterness stated that the District had been approached by one landowner, the school district, that had concerns about being charged inappropriately, given their site included not only a school but also open space that was not intended to be utilized in the future. He stated that the District Engineer reviewed the site use and determined that there was a portion of the property that could fall under the park category, which would not have a charge, so they reallocated the charges to reduce the charge to that property. He noted that they had also corrected right-of-way charges that were discovered to be in error.

Manager Waller asked which school district this related to.

District Engineer Otterness stated that it was Blaine.

District Attorney Kolb stated that he believed it was ISD#11.

***Motion by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Waller, to Adopt Resolution 2025-05 Final Findings And Order Directing The Repair Of Branches 5 And 6 Of Anoka County Ditch 53-62 and Implementing Water Management District Charges.***

**ORDER**

- A. The Board of Managers orders implementation of the repair of Branches 5 and 6 of ACD 53-62 consistent with the engineer's recommended repair, contained in the Technical Memorandum dated March 5, 2025, and consistent with the capital improvement program contained in the District's Watershed Management Plan.

- 318 B. The Board of Managers orders the allocation of costs for the repair of Branches 5  
319 and 6 of ACD 53-62 in a manner consistent with the staff's recommendation as  
320 contained in the Technical Memorandum, dated May 8, 2025, Amended June 16,  
321 2025.
- 322 C. The Board of Managers directs its staff to investigate the objection of ISD 11 and  
323 adjust ISD 11's water management district charge if warranted after engineering  
324 review.
- 325 D. Upon completion of adjustments, if any, the Board of Managers approves  
326 imposition of Water Management District Charges for the repair of Branches 5 and  
327 6 of ACD 53-62 as defined in the Watershed Management Plan and as outlined in  
328 the Technical Memorandum, dated May 8, 2025, Amended June 16, 2025. A copy  
329 of the charge breakdown by parcel is attached hereto.
- 330 E. The Board of Managers directs its administrator to coordinate and take all  
331 subsequent actions necessary for implementation of the repair in a manner  
332 consistent and compliant with existing law. The Board reserves to itself, however,  
333 all subsequent actions required by law to proceed upon Board approval.
- 334 F. The Board of Managers further authorizes expenditures for the repair of Branches  
335 5 and 6 of ACD 53-62 and the collection of revenues consistent with this order.

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337 District Engineer Otterness asked President Bradley to make a modification to the order,  
338 and clarified that the latest amended version of the Water Management District Charge  
339 memo is August 25, 2025.

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341 District Attorney Kolb explained that this would need to be referenced in paragraphs B.  
342 and D. of the order, and anywhere the findings referenced the technical memorandum.

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344 **Motion amended by Manager Bradley, seconded by Manager Waller, to amend the**  
345 **order language as follows:**

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347 **ORDER**

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349 A. The Board of Managers orders implementation of the repair of Branches 5 and 6  
350 of ACD 53-62 consistent with the engineer's recommended repair, contained in  
351 the Technical Memorandum dated March 5, 2025, and consistent with the capital  
352 improvement program contained in the District's Watershed Management Plan.
- 353 B. The Board of Managers orders the allocation of costs for the repair of Branches 5  
354 and 6 of ACD 53-62 in a manner consistent with the staff's recommendation as  
355 contained in the Technical Memorandum, dated May 8, 2025, Amended August  
356 25, 2025.

C. *The Board of Managers approves the objection of ISD 11 and adjusts ISD 11's water management district charge as recommended by the engineer.*

D. Upon completion of adjustments, if any, the Board of Managers approves imposition of Water Management District Charges for the repair of Branches 5 and 6 of ACD 53-62 as defined in the Watershed Management Plan and as outlined in the Technical Memorandum, dated May 8, 2025, Amended August 25, 2025. A copy of the charge breakdown by parcel is attached hereto.

E. The Board of Managers directs its administrator to coordinate and take all subsequent actions necessary for implementation of the repair in a manner consistent and compliant with existing law. The Board reserves to itself, however, all subsequent actions required by law to proceed upon Board approval.

F. The Board of Managers further authorizes expenditures for the repair of Branches 5 and 6 of ACD 53-62 and the collection of revenues consistent with this order.

Manager Robertson stated that this was a vast project and noted that she had shared the parcel ID information with the City of Blaine, and when she brought it up to staff, it was about \$55,000 in fees. She asked if District staff had heard anything from staff at the City of Blaine about the fees, because they had also asked her questions similar to what the school district had asked.

District Engineer Otterness stated that they have not had any feedback from City staff during this round of WMD charges, but they had extensive discussion with the City in past iterations of the WMD charge and the changes from those discussions have carried through to subsequent charges.

**ROLL CALL:**

***Manager Bradley – Aye***

***Manager Robertson – Aye***

***Manager Wagamon – Absent***

***Manager Waller – Aye***

***Manager Weinandt – Aye***

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

***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Braldehy, to close the public hearings and reconvene the regular Board meeting. Motion carried 4-0.***

**3. Arden Hills Cost-Share Request, Karth Lake Outlet Pump**

Lake & Stream Manager Kocian explained that the City of Arden Hills had sent a letter to the District requesting a cost-share with the District to pay for a new outlet pump for Karth Lake. He gave a brief review of Karth Lake, the need for a pump because it had no

natural outlet, the current pump system, water level bounce issues, and noted that many residents around Karth Lake have sought help from the District for shoreline restoration projects. He briefly reviewed the proposal by the City of Arden Hills to upgrade the current system. He noted that the cost for this was anticipated by District staff and had already been included in the budget the Board had just approved.

***Motion by Manager Weinandt, seconded by Manager Bradley, to authorize the Administrator, on advice from counsel, to develop and execute a cost-share agreement with the City of Arden Hills for the Karth Lake Pump System, not to exceed \$56,000.***

Manager Weinandt thanked Lake & Stream Manager Kocian for highlighting where this was located in the budget.

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

**4. HEI Task Order 2025-016: Anoka Ramsey Judicial Ditch 1 Repair Report**

District & Facilities Manager Schmidt suggested an amendment to the proposed motion language that they authorize the Board president to enter into the task order.

***Motion by Manager Weinandt, seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve Task Order 2025 -016, ARJD 1 Repair Report, not to exceed \$102,000, and authorize the Board president to enter into the Task Order. Motion carried 4-0.***

**5. HEI Task Order 2025-006: Anoka County Ditch 53-62 Branches 5 & 6 Final Design Bidding and Construction Management**

Drainage & Facilities Manager Schmidt suggested that the Board make the same revision to this motion language to authorize the Board president to enter into the agreement.

***Motion by Manager Robertson, seconded by Manager Waller, to approve Task Order 2025-006, ACD #53-62 Branches 5 & 6 Final Design Bidding and Construction Management, not to exceed \$125,500, and to authorize the Board president to enter into the agreement. Motion carried 4-0.***

**6. RCWD/DNR Joint Powers Agreement**

Lake & Stream Manager Kocian explained that the DNR had approached the District seeking a JPA to share model data.

District Engineer Otterness explained that the reason for this was that the DNR was under a process to update the FEMA mapping and modeling throughout the metro area, and it was put on pause for a few years.

***Motion by Manager Robertson, seconded by Manager Bradley, to authorize the Administrator, on advice from counsel, to sign the DNR Joint Powers Agreement.***

441 Manager Waller asked if this JPA would allow “the DNR to get its fingers in the District’s  
442 hair”. He asked if the District would have some control over this.

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444 District Attorney Kolb stated that in the JPA, the District had specifically limited the uses  
445 to which the information can be put, which was standard when others were allowed to  
446 use the District’s model. He stated that he believes the District would be adequately  
447 protected with the current agreement language.

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449 ***Motion carried 4-0.***

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451 **7. Check Register Dated August 27, 2025, in the Amount of \$298,444.32 and August**  
452 **Interim Financial Statements Prepared by Redpath and Company**

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454 ***Motion by Manager Weinandt, seconded by Manager Bradley, to approve the check***  
455 ***register dated September 10, 2025, in the Amount of \$94,694.90 prepared by Redpath***  
456 ***and Company. Motion carried 4-0.***

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458 **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND INFORMATION**

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

460 District Engineer Otterness noted that one of the items shown on the spreadsheet was  
461 East Moore Lake Stormwater Resilience which was for the District to take a look at where  
462 they may be able to provide BMPs for water quality and quantity. He stated that a few  
463 weeks ago, they had a good meeting with the City of Fridley about some locations where  
464 issues and opportunities were identified.

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466 **2. Administrator Updates**

467 Drainage and Facilities Manager Schmidt stated that the West Pine Street culvert on ACD  
468 10-22-32 was scheduled to be lowered on September 22, 2025. He noted that there had  
469 been some public rumors that the District was not going to do the work this year due to  
470 a lack of funds, but wanted to clarify that this was not true and would be done later in the  
471 month.

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473 Manager Robertson asked if the District sent out public notifications when this type of  
474 work was being done, so residents knew about it. She stated that she wasn’t sure how  
475 much postcards or other communication methods would cost, but it would help combat  
476 the rumors.

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478 Drainage and Facilities Manager Schmidt stated that they generally do not send out those  
479 types of communications, but noted that they could consider it for future projects.

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481 District Engineer Otterness noted that public communications for drainage system repairs  
482 were often challenging because it was difficult to determine what set of individuals would

be interested in the work. He explained that District staff and engineer do try to talk to landowners as they are proceeding with work.

President Bradley stated that staff had heard the suggestion from Manager Robertson and asked them to take it into consideration and see how it may be implemented.

Drainage and Facilities Manager Schmidt noted that the major stakeholders who had expressed interest in this project were aware of its start date.

### **3. Managers' Updates**

Manager Waller noted that the Washington County Consortium will not meet in September, October, or November. He expressed appreciation to President Bradley for his leadership on the tax issue earlier today.

Manager Weinandt stated that she and Project Manager Petry would be meeting later in the week with Ramsey County League of Cities to request a letter for RCD 2, 3, and 5. She stated that as the Clean Water Council representative, she will attend the tour of the Clean Water projects in the Mississippi headwaters area.

President Bradley stated that he had received the Board's evaluation of District Administrator Tomczik. He noted that the next step in this process would be to provide that to District Administrator Tomczik to discuss the evaluations and explained that he would bring a report back to the Board.

District Attorney Kolb clarified that the Board's individual responses would not be specifically disclosed to District Administrator Tomczik as part of this process, but a copy of the totality of the evaluation, including who said what, would be provided to the Board. He noted that if the Board wanted to follow a different process than this, they should clarify their direction.

President Bradley stated that he did not see any benefit in taking the 5 evaluations and trying to meld them into a single document.

District Attorney Kolb clarified that it was not what President Bradley was being asked to do. He explained that they were just making sure that the desire of the Managers was respected, for example, those who preferred that their comments not be specifically disclosed to the District Administrator. He stated that he did think that it was fair that if the Managers wanted to know what the entire Board said, that could be provided.

Manager Robertson stated that she has never known what any of her elected colleagues have said under additional comments in the review process. She explained that she didn't really care to know the specific things written by other Board members, but did believe the scoring should be shared with the full Board.

527 President Bradley agreed that this approach made sense and explained that he would  
528 take that direction as this process moves forward.

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530 Manager Waller stated that he felt this was a good change to the usual process for this  
531 evaluation and review.

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533 **ADJOURNMENT**

534 ***Motion by Manager Waller, seconded by Manager Bradley, to adjourn the meeting at 10:24***  
535 ***a.m. Motion carried 4-0.***