

Minutes of the

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

Committee Members Present:

Sandra Rummel-Chair, Wendy Wulff-Vice Chair, Harry Melander, Lona Schreiber

Committee Members Absent:

Marie McCarthy, Edward Reynoso

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Rummel called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:05 p.m. Tuesday, August 11, 2015.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Wendy Wulff, seconded by Lona Schreiber to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

It was moved by Wendy Wulff, seconded by Lona Schreiber to approve the minutes of the Tuesday, July 14, 2015 regular meeting of the Environment Committee. **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC HEARING, 5:00 Time Certain: Draft Master Water Supply Plan (MWSP)

Chair Rummel announced the public hearing for the draft Master Water Supply Plan was scheduled to convene at 5 p.m.

CONSENT BUSINESS

Motion to approve consent agenda items 2015-183 and 2015-184 by Lona Schreiber, seconded by Wendy Wulff. **Motion carried.**

1. **2015-183: Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Construction of North Area Interceptor (NAI) Rehabilitation Phase 5, Project No. 808650, Contract 14P252A**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract to construct North Area Interceptor (NAI) Rehabilitation, Phase 5, Project 808650, Contract 14P252A to Lametti and Sons, Inc. for their low, responsive bid of \$17,153,700.00.

2. **2015-184: Disposition of Surplus Fee Title Property in the City of Victoria**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to proceed with the disposal of two surplus fee title properties located at 7240 Rolling Acres Road within the City of Victoria, the parcel adjacent to Rolling Acres Road at no cost to Hennepin County, and the land-locked parcel to the adjacent property owner for its appraised value of \$250.

NON-CONSENT BUSINESS

3. **2015-185: Approval of Targeted Stormwater Grants**

It was moved by Harry Melander, seconded by Wendy Wulff that the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a targeted stormwater management demonstration grant described in Attachment A in the total amount of \$50,000. **Motion carried.**

4. **2015-186: Amendment to East Bethel Wastewater Services Agreement**

It was moved by Lona Schreiber, seconded by Wendy Wulff that the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to execute an amendment to the Wastewater Service Agreement with East Bethel according to the agreement identified as Amendment 2. **Motion carried.**

5. **2015-173: Authorization to Amend the 2015 Unified Budget: Third Quarter Amendment**

It was moved by Wendy Wulff, seconded by Harry Melander that the Metropolitan Council authorizes the amendment of the 2015 Unified Budget for wastewater operations to increase expenses by \$2,000,000. **Motion carried.**

INFORMATION

1. Survey of Municipal Residential Wastewater Rates –
Due to time constraints, this item was tabled.
2. General Manager's Report –
Our plants have an outstanding continuous compliance record. NACWA issued Platinum Awards for 2014 in July. This year we have 6 plants who earned Platinum Award status.
 - Empire – 7 years
 - Eagles Point and Blue Lake – 9 years
 - Seneca – 14 years
 - St. Croix Valley – 23 years
 - Hastings – 24 years
 - A record we are proud of. We appreciate all of the hard work by all the workers who helped us reach these milestones.
 - There are only 4 facilities around the nation with better records (25, 26, and 28 years).
 - Metro Plant has one more year before they return to Platinum Award status.
 - Combined total of 89 years of compliance.

ADJOURNMENT

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Susan Taylor
Recording Secretary