

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE MINNEHAHA CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS**

February 2, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District Board of Managers Retreat was called to order by President Sherry White at 6:05 p.m. at the Northern Lights Club Room at Folkestone, 100 Promenade Way, Wayzata MN 55391.

MANAGERS PRESENT

Sherry White, Brian Shekleton, Richard Miller, William Olson, Kurt Rogness, and Bill Becker.

MANAGER ABSENT

Pamela Blixt.

DISTRICT STAFF AND CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Lars Erdahl, Administrator; James Wisker, Planning and Projects Director; Telly Mamayek, Communications and Education Director; David Mandt, Operations and Support Services Director; Craig Dawson, Research and Monitoring Director; and Louis Smith, Counsel.

DISCUSSION OF STRATEGIC PLANNING

Mr. Smith facilitated a Board discussion of the strategic planning direction for the District. He referred to a three-page handout (“Condensed Strategic Planning Directives”) that provided an executive summary of a larger document entitled, “MCWD Strategic Program Evaluation: Phase I Synthesis and Considerations, January 26, 2017.”

The Board of Managers discussed the program strategic direction and decision points in detail and affirmed that this document provided a sound and accurate summary of the strategic priorities and key organizational needs for the District. The Board of Managers directed staff and counsel to prepare a report and draft resolution for the Board of Managers to consider at its next meeting as a way to memorialize this board direction and guide the next steps of the process.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF GOVERNANCE POLICIES

Mr. Smith noted that the Board of Managers has committed to an annual review of its governance policies to assure that they continue to be relevant and up to date. He noted several revisions that the Board of Managers adopted in 2016. The managers did not identify any current issue or policy needing attention at the present time. Manager Miller requested the