



MEMORANDUM

To: MCWD Board of Managers
From: Tiffany Schaufler
Date: July 23, 2018
Re: Wayzata Bay Easement Donation Update

Purpose:

At the July 26, 2018 Policy & Planning Committee (PPC) meeting staff will update the committee on a potential conservation easement opportunity at 555 Bushaway Road, Wayzata which is located along Wayzata Bay on Lake Minnetonka.

Background:

In May 2018 District staff were approached by prospective buyers of 555 Bushaway Road as they were interested in potentially donating a conservation easement to the District.

At the May 24, 2018 PPC meeting, staff briefed the committee on the potential conservation easement opportunity and possible conservation values of the property. Following that discussion the committee directed staff to continue the conversation with the prospective buyers as it related to the District serving as a potential conservation easement holder.

Since the May 24, 2018 PPC meeting the buyers have closed on the property and have continued discussions with District staff to confirm their interest in donating a conservation easement to the District.

Next Steps:

At the July 26, 2018 PPC meeting staff will provide the PPC an update on the conversations with the property owners and proposed next steps in the conservation easement donation process.

If there are any questions in advance of the meeting, please contact Tiffany Schaufler at tschaufler@minnehahacreek.org or at 952-641-4513.