

**Regular Meeting
South Washington Watershed District
Tuesday, May 12, 2026 6:00 p.m.
City of Woodbury Public Works Building**

1. Call to Order and Setting of Agenda

Manager Doucette called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to move Item #6-City of Woodbury Goldfish Management Agreement to the Consent Agenda. Manager Stephens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Roll Call:

- Sharon Doucette, President
- Emily Stephens, Vice President
- Kevin ChapdeLaine, Treasurer
- David Filipiak, Secretary

Staff:

- John Loomis, Administrator
- Melissa Imse, Operations Manager
- Kyle Axtell, Watershed Project Manager
- Tony Randazzo, Watershed Restoration Specialist

Others:

- Mary Ellen Reihsen, SWWD Attorney

2. Public Open Forum. None

3. Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda include: April 14, 2026, Regular Board Meeting minutes, April Claims Roster and Treasurer's Report: accounts payable \$322,151.04, accounts receivable \$29,099.38, 4M fund balance \$9,592,046.15, Calendar of Events, Development Reviews, Wetland Conservation Act, Stewardship Grant Applications and Payments, Miscellaneous Correspondence and Item #6-City of Woodbury Goldfish Management Agreement. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to approve the Consent Agenda. Manager Stephens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Oath of Office. Manager Doucette took the Oath of Office to serve on the SWWD Board. Her term expires April 30, 2029.

Manager's Report

Manager Doucette—Manager Doucette reported that she attended the City of Woodbury and City of Cottage Grove joint council meeting.

Manager Stephens—Manager Stephens reported that she attended a tour with the City of Cottage Grove at various stormwater sites.

Manager ChapdeLaine—None.

Manager Filipiak—Manager Filipiak reported that he attended the Lower St. Croix Policy Committee meeting, the City of Woodbury and City of Cottage Grove joint council meeting, and the City of Woodbury quarterly meeting.

5. Administrator Report

SWWD Project Updates. Included in the board packet are project updates on: Trout

Brook, Glacial Valley Park and Open space, Campus Greening, Wilmes Lake Alum Treatment Facility, Hasenbank Woods and Stormwater Park, Markgrafs Lake Retrofit Analysis, Cottage Grove Ravine Regional Park, St. Croix Bluffs Regional Park, CR74-65th and Geneva, Newport Elementary Underground BMP, Lower Grey Cloud Slough Habitat Improvement, Watershed Management Plan Update, In-Lake AIS Management, Newport Open Space Planning, Cottage Grove Open Space Planning, Armstrong Lake Wetland Cattail Harvesting, SWWD Website Update, La and Ria Lake Outlets, Groundwater and Ecosystems Services Studies, and Administrative items.

August Board Meeting Date. Due to the primary election, the August Board meeting date will have to be rescheduled. After discussion, the managers set the August Board meeting to Wednesday August 12.

6. **City of Woodbury Goldfish Management Agreement.** This item was approved under the Consent Agenda.
7. **Wilmes Lake Iron Enhanced Sand Filter Project, Barr Task Order#2026-001.** Barr Engineering completed work under Task Order 2025-001 over the winter, providing two concepts for a CC17 filter to replace the failed IESF along Schooner Way in Woodbury. Staff have reviewed these options with Woodbury staff, and the preferred option is ready to proceed. Barr has provided a scope of work to carry the project through design phases, public outreach, bidding and construction oversight. The concept carries an estimated construction cost of \$384,000 +/- . Design would proceed through 2026 with bidding this winter and construction late winter through spring 2027. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager Stephens to approve Barr Task Order#2026-001 for the Wilmes IESF not to exceed \$150,000. Manager Filipiak seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
8. **2025 SWWD Financial Audit.** The 2025 SWWD Financial Audit is complete and was conducted by our auditing firm Abdo. SWWD received a clean audit opinion and had the same finding of Limited Segregation of Duties. The audit has been reviewed by the SWWD Treasurer. After discussion, a motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to accept the 2025 SWWD Financial audit and to direct staff to submit the report to the required State Agencies. Manager Filipiak seconded. Motion carried 3-0, with Manager Doucette abstaining from the vote.
9. **Marin Nelson Stewardship Grant Application.** Restoring woodlands dominated by invasive shrubby species is an important step in building soils and native plant communities to support watershed health. This project will work to improve the woodland health of 4.7 acres located immediately adjacent to Trout Brook in Denmark Township. Funding will provide 75% funding support for the first year activities of forestry mowing, canopy thinning, seeding site prep and seeding as well as tree, shrub and plug planting on private property in this high priority region of the SWWD. The homeowner will fund additional years of maintenance on their property. A motion was made by Manager ChapdeLaine to approve the cost-share agreement for this project at 75% of the total cost, not to exceed \$11,963.25. Manager Stephens seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
10. **Future Business and Meetings.**
 - Workshop and Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 12, 2026 5:00pm
 - Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, June 9, 2026 6:00 pm.
 - CAC Meeting, Tuesday, June 23, 2026 6:00 pm.
 - Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, July 14, 2026 6:00pm
 - Lower St. Croix Policy Committee Meeting, Monday, July 27, 2026 4:00pm
 - St. Croix Workshop on the Water, Thursday, July 30, 2026 5:00pm

11. Adjourn

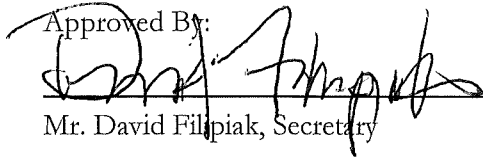
The next regular Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 9th at 6:00 pm. A motion was made by Manager Filipiak to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. Manager Doucette seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Imse

Melissa Imse, Operations Manager

Approved By:


Mr. David Filipiak, Secretary

7.14.20
Date