Managers present: Dan DeBoer, Brad Kramer, Al Bakken, Mike Hanson, Joe Pacovsky and Mick Delger

Managers absent: Gary Pestorious

Chairman DeBoer called the Workshop to order on May 8, 2018 at 9:15 a.m. in the Freeborn Room 411 Broadway S. Albert Lea, MN 56007.

District Administrator, Andy Henschel, discussed District owned parcels and associating projects as requested by Manager Bakken.

Andy continued with a discussion on the SRRWD budget forecasted through 2021. This discussion included future lobbying for bonding dollars to fund Phase 3 of the Fountain Lake Restoration Project.

The workshop continued with some background information regarding the aeration system located in Edgewater Bay of Fountain Lake. The City of Albert Lea has requested that the SRRWD purchase a new aeration unit. The City of Albert Lea would maintain and operate the unit. J.F. Brennan will assist with removal of the existing unit and has assured the SRRWD that the area will be dredged before the new unit is installed.

Andy continued and encouraged dialogue regarding the purchase of refurbished Apple iPads for the SRRWD Board of Managers. These devices would be used to complete SRRWD work. Each manager would be issued a Freeborn County email address. A policy would be created for these devices. Using the iPads would save the District time and money.

The last item on the agenda included a discussion on the SRRWD building lease and office upgrades. The District currently rents the office and workshop space. The lease agreement expires July 2018. A long term lease is being negotiated. The office and workshop are in need of repairs and upgrades including: heating, air conditioning, flooring, lighting and a conference room expansion. If a long term lease is approved by the Board of Managers, these repairs and upgrades have been budgeted for in the SRRWD facility fund.

During Board discussion items, Todd Leach’s property was discussed including flooding issues. The Board of Manager’s terms were discussed. Finally, communication was considered between the staff, board, and public.
Manager Pacovsky offered the following motion:
   Move to adjourn at 10:20 a.m.
Manger Hanson seconded the motion.
After discussion, a vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.