

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-020

**RILEY PURGATORY BLUFF CREEK WATERSHED DISTRICT
BOARD OF MANAGERS**

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT PLAN AMENDMENT TO WATERSHED MANAGEMENT
PLAN FOR ST. HUBERT CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPPORUNITY PROJECT**

Manager Ziegler offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Manager Pedersen:

WHEREAS the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District (District) is responsible for the preparation, adoption and implementation of a watershed management plan for the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek watershed pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 103B.231, subdivisions 3 through 10;

WHEREAS in 2018, the District adopted its fourth-generation Watershed Management Plan (the Plan), which details the existing physical environment, land use and development in the watershed and establishes a plan to manage water resources and improve water quality, prevent flooding and otherwise achieve the purposes of Minnesota Statutes chapters 103B and 103D; the District's plan states a goal of addressing all impairments in water resources in the District's jurisdiction and removing all District waterbodies from the State of Minnesota impaired waters list;

WHEREAS in early 2016, the District completed the Rice Marsh Lake and Lake Riley Use Attainability Analysis Update which showed that Rice Marsh Lake fails to meet MPCA shallow lake water quality standards, and that 64% of phosphorus loading into the lake comes from external sources, 44% from watershed runoff and 20% from discharge from Lake Susan into Rice Marsh Lake;

WHEREAS in 2018, the District was contacted by St. Hubert Catholic School (St. Hubert's) in Chanhassen about possibly partnering on a rain garden on St. Hubert's campus (site), and the District's initial consultation of the site identified multiple potential best management practices;

WHEREAS the District's Opportunity Projects program was created with the adoption of the Plan in 2018 specifically to address previously unidentified projects and partnerships, and a stormwater retrofit of the site was identified as a potential project for this program;

WHEREAS in April 2019, consultant SRF, retained by the District to work with St. Hubert's stakeholders to identify potential best management practices for the site that would meet District goals, produced a memo, St. Hubert's Catholic School Opportunity Projects, identifying projects that would reduce runoff volume and rate from the site, improve water quality, enhance ecological biodiversity, and develop educational opportunities, and specifically developed four project areas and associated practices (St. Hubert's campus retrofit project);

WHEREAS District staff scored the St. Hubert's campus retrofit project according to the Opportunity Project prioritization rubric in the Plan, resulting in a score of 33; the project is expected to treat 3.6 acres runoff, remove 455 pounds of Total Suspended Solids and 1.8 pounds of Phosphorus per year, reduce volume of stormwater runoff by 0.33 acre-ft per year, add 0.7 acres of prairie restoration, and will be visible to over 600 students, 100 staff members and over 2600 families;

WHEREAS on September 4, 2019, the District held a duly noticed public hearing to receive public comment on the proposed minor plan amendment for the St. Hubert's campus retrofit project, and no comments were received;

WHEREAS the most recent cost estimate for the project is approximately \$277,000; the District expects to fund this project by means of its watershed-wide ad valorem levy and will explore cost-sharing or grant opportunities with other public agencies as available;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Riley Purgatory Bluff Creek Watershed District Board of Managers hereby adopts the Plan amendment attached as Exhibit A;

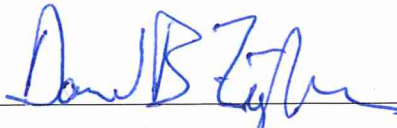
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Board of Managers directs the administrator to transmit a copy of the Plan amendment to all reviewing agencies and the clerks of each of the local governmental units within the watershed and to Hennepin County and Carver County.

The question was on the adoption of the resolution and there were 4 yeas and 0 nays as follows:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>
CRAFTON	X			
KOCH				X
PEDERSEN	X			
WARD	X			
ZIEGLER	X			

Upon vote, the chair declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: October 02, 2019



David Ziegler, Secretary