

**City of North Saint Paul**  
**May 15, 2018**  
**Adopted City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Kuehn called the meeting to order at 5:06 p.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Council Member Terry Furlong  
Council Member Candy Petersen  
Council Member Tom Sonnek  
Council Member Jan Walczak  
Mayor Mike Kuehn

Staff: City Manager Dr. Craig Waldron, Deputy Clerk Mary Mills, Fire Chief Scott Duddeck.

Guests: Valley Branch Watershed District President Jill Lucas and Vice-president Lincoln Fetcher.

**III. ADOPT AGENDA**

*On motion by Council Member Petersen, seconded by Council Member Furlong, with all present voting aye (5-0), motion carried to approve the agenda as presented.*

**IV. TOPIC(S)**

A. 5:00 p.m. Valley Branch Watershed District

Jill Lucas, Board of Managers President and Lincoln Fetcher, Vice President of the Valley Branch Watershed District were present to give an update to the council. They introduced watershed districts and VBWD roles and activities, summarized the VBWD 2018 budget and highlighted some projects and programs, and heard the City's needs of VBWD. Topics included goals, members, vision, Watershed Management Plan and budget.

Also discussed was the Silver Lake Water Quality, and a letter sent to the DNR and VBWD related to residents experiencing water issues. Ground water can impact numerous homes. Lucas noted that the lake's high water level is not due just to the lake level, but to high water tables in the area. During the last couple of years there have been detailed studies of the water problems ranging from input from stormwater, to cleanup, to the bioretention pond, to the future installation of spent-line filters. VBWD will be meeting with all stakeholders to talk about the water levels in all the lakes, not just Silver Lake.

B. 5:30 p.m. Reception for Community Service Awards

**V. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

## VI. ADJOURNMENT

*There being no further business, on motion by Council Member Sonnek, seconded by Council Member Furlong, with all present voting aye (5-0), Mayor Kuehn adjourned the workshop meeting at 5:42 p.m.*

/s/ Michael R. Kuehn, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Mary Mills, Deputy Clerk