

**Minutes of the Permit Appeal Hearing of the Board of Managers
Of the Two Rivers Watershed District
Held: Monday, September 22, 2025 @ 9:45 a.m.**

The Board of Managers of the Two Rivers Watershed District held a Permit Appeal Hearing beginning at 9:45 a.m. on Monday, September 22, 2025. The meeting was held in the Middle Room of the Kennedy Café located at 518 Atlantic Ave, Kennedy, MN.

Managers present included President Rick Sikorski, Vice President Roger Anderson, Secretary Daryl Klegstad, Treasurer Gerald Olsonawski, Bruce Anderson, Mark Langehaug. Manager Scott Klein was absent.

Others present included District Administrator Dan Money, District Technician Tyler Coffield, Attorney Jeff Hane (Brink Lawyers), Engineer Tony Nordby (HEI Engineering), Matthew Casper (Litzau Farm Drainage and Directional Boring), Robin Swanson, and Kristina (Wojciechowski).

The meeting was called to order by President Sikorski and introductions were made. It was noted that the purpose of today's meeting is to hear information regarding the appeal of the Board of Manager's decision to approve permit #2171. The appeal was brought forth by Robin Swanson seeking an alternate outlet.

Attorney Hane described the permit application process and the permit that was approved. It was noted that the permit that was issued is conditional upon several items, one being that no discharges from the tile are allowed if downstream flooding is occurring.

Technician Coffield discussed the permit process, findings of fact, and the review process that was used.

Attorney Hane read the TRWD's "Reasonable Tile Use Factors" that were used in the review and approval. Engineer Nordby and Technician Coffield discussed the conditions, pump uses, and other factors.

Administrator Money noted that letters of comment were received from Lind Township and Gerald Von Korff, attorney for Generations Land. Both were in favor of the permit approval as it was granted originally. These letters were entered into the hearing record.

Casper discussed the slope in the private ditch which should allow for adequate outlet flow.

Swanson stated he feels the outlet could have been designed to go to another outlet, and he is concerned about additional flows that would cause water to back out of the ditch onto his agricultural land.

Discussion was held, and the TRWD determined that the outlet is adequate as long as the conditions of the permit are adhered to; if the conditions of the permit are broken, the permit is revoked.

President Sikorski closed the testimony.

Upon a **motion** by Langehaug, **second** by Olsonawski, and **unanimous vote** of the Board, the hearing was recessed and will be reconvened on October 2, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. to deliberate and make a decision regarding the appeal of permit #2171.

Attest:


Daryl Klogstad, Secretary


Rick Sikorski, President