

## **Executive Summary for Action**

Lower Minnesota River Watershed District Board of Managers Meeting Wednesday, May 19, 2021

Agenda Item

Item 6. D. - Remote meeting participation

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## **Summary**

Since the LMRWD Board of Managers has been meeting virtually for over a year, this item may seem like it is not necessary. However, once the health emergency is over, the Board will return to meeting in person and will be required to follow open meeting laws. The Board of Managers may want to be able to allow virtual participation in the meetings by individuals concerned with attending public meetings.

I have been in touch with Carver County and starting later in May County Board meetings will be convened in person. The Plans are to open the Government Center to the public in June. The County will continue to hold most of their meetings virtually - planning commission, library board, park board, board of adjustment, etc. The County has some portable Cisco WebEx units in the boardroom for the virtual meetings. They plan on implementing a more permanent solution in the board room at some point and will keep in mind the needs of the watershed for such a solution.

The LMRWD will work with legal counsel as it gets closer to being able to meet in person. It is likely that Board of Manager meetings will be some kind of hybrid; where not all of the Board needs to be present in person.

**Attachments** 

No attachments

**Recommended Action** 

No recommended action